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MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER

What a rich experience! To be the pastor of a church with the tremendous background this church has.

Timothy Dwight expresses my sentiments in that familiar hymn, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord".

> "I love Thy church, O God! Her walls before Thee stand,
> Dear as the apple of Thine eye, And graven on Thy hand.
>
> For her my tears shall fall; For her my prayers ascend;
> To her my cares and toils be given, Till toils and cares
> shall end.
>
> Beyond my highest joy I prize her heavenly ways,
> Her sweet communion, solemn vows, Her hymns of love
> and praise."

And just to think for one hundred and fifty years, the First United Methodist Church of Norwood has provided so many persons the privilege of knowing the God who made it all possible. Our hearts can surely rejoice at the thought.

On this occasion of our sesquicentennial observance, many souls are stirred. Mine is deeply moved. We have experienced the means of grace which the church alone supplies. We have discovered christian fellowship as nowhere else provided, save the church.

When historians down the road digest these pages highlighting these 150 years of our local church history, they will surely conclude that this has been an exceptionally exciting era. The annals of history will bear out the authenticity of our commitment to Jesus Christ, her Head. Clearly, the total significance of this celebration remains to be assessed. However, for us, it is an exceedingly thrilling and meaningful occasion. Your own presence and participation help immensely to make it so; the rich heritage herein has already made it so.

Since June, 1972, it has been my happy privilege to know and love the host of persons who have contributed to the heritage of this church and who are making its present day history. I thank God, and you, for this high honor.

Indeed more can be said. Throughout these years I perceive a strange mixture of despair and hope, frustration and boldness, disillusionment and expectancy. And still, we know that we are where we are today, historically speaking, because of these important factors: HOPE, BOLDNESS, and EXPECTANCY AND THUS, SHALL WE CONTINUE!

In Christ's Spirit,

Jack Kayler

Jack Kayler, Minister

October 6, 1975

FOREWORD

This booklet has been prepared as a contribution to the Sesquicentennial Celebration of the First United Methodist Church of Norwood. An attempt has been made to provide documentary data pertaining to the history and development of the church. The information herein is by no means complete or thorough, but perhaps in future years it will provide a basis for further research and study.

To write a history covering 150 years in the life of a church and to compile pertinent data is no small task, due to a scarcity of documents. The majority of information contained in these pages was taken from available records, including Quarterly Conference Journals, minutes of the Board of Stewards meetings, Sunday School records, Women's Missionary Society minutes, and several printed booklets and bulletins from earlier years. A few items were included from the recollections of members of the church and others in the community. Data, in most instances, is given verbatim from records.

As is the case in similar accounts, this booklet may contain errors unknowingly made due to the lack of complete records or to difficulty in reading and interpreting them. If there are errors of a historical nature, to help authenticate our records, please notify a member of the committee on records and history or the minister. This help would be greatly appreciated.

It is impossible to thank each person individually who contributed information or assisted in the preparation of this booklet. Without their assistance the booklet could never have materialized. Special recognition is given to the following:

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CHURCH HISTORY

THE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORWOOD

1825 - 1975

The earliest known record of the First United Methodist Church of Norwood dates to 1825, but there is strong support for the belief than an active body of Methodists had met and conducted camp meetings for some years prior to 1825.

The church lock box contains a paper dated September 3, 1825, signed by John Christian saying, "Surveyed five acres of land including Center Meeting House and Camp Ground." This same property was deeded on November 19, 1825, from George Kendall to the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Center for the stated purpose of "erecting a Meeting House and Camp Ground for Divine Worship." A sum of $25.00 was paid for the property. [1]

Quarterly Conference Records of the Rocky River Circuit (sometimes known as Rocky River Montgomery Circuit), South Carolina Conference, show evidence that George Allen, Peter Randall, John Kendall (trustees), and John Christian (surveyor) were actively involved within the Circuit for many years prior to 1825. George Allen was listed as an exhorter in 1807; John Christian was a licensed preacher as early as 1808; Peter Randall and John Kendall were each class leaders as early as 1814. Serving as trustees with George Allen and Peter Randall were Wiett Randall and William Wall.[2]

William Wall married Elizabeth Randall, the widow of John Randall, in 1836. Elizabeth and John Randall were among the founders of neighboring Randall Methodist Church. According to his diary, Bishop Francis Asbury stayed with Elizabeth and John Randall on six separate occasions.[3]

From this evidence the conclusion is that there was a Camp Ground and Meeting House in existence in 1825. It is known that the four men listed

above had all been active in the Rocky River Circuit for years prior to 1825. It was the custom in those days to have a central camp ground for an entire circuit. With Center (later named Norwood) as a crossroads on the center of the watershed between Rocky and Pee-Dee Rivers, and with ferries nearby, this was a logical location for a centralized camp ground.

It is told that early settlers had preaching services under a large brush arbor on the northeast corner of the crossroads. As the membership grew, a wooden arbor was built and families lived in tents all around the arbor, using bonfires for lighting and for cooking.[4] These camp meetings became an annual affair from around 1817 until 1834.

The first church building was erected between 1820 and 1825. It was built of long logs with a large fireplace at one end and a pulpit at the other and with handmade benches and other furniture. Since nails were scarce the planks were put together with wooden pegs. Hand-rived shingles from green logs formed the roof. It is said that the first church building was built so that when it rained, the water on one side ran into the Pee-Dee River and that on the other side ran into Rocky River.[5]

Center Circuit, of the South Carolina Conference, was formed in 1833. This Circuit included Norwood and other Stanly County Methodist Episcopal Churches: Bethel, Randall, Salem, Stony Hill, and Albemarle.[6]

The date of the last camp meeting is unknown; however in 1841, Thomas Alexander Lowder attended Center Camp Meeting and was converted. It was not until 1858, under the ministry of Rev. J. W. Puett, who was serving the old Albemarle Circuit (at that time located in the South Carolina Conference) that he joined the Methodist Church. It is interesting to note that his son, J. M. Lowder (father of James Paul Lowder) later became a Methodist minister in the North Carolina Conference.[7]

One year after the break with the Northern Methodist churches in 1845, the South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at the

Annual Conference in Fayetteville, North Carolina, with Bishop J. O. Andrews presiding, mentions Center Circuit in the Cheraw District.[8]

The Center Circuit kept its identity until 1847 when the churches in Stanly County were put into a new Albemarle Circuit. This circuit remained in the South Carolina Conference until 1870 when South Carolina gave up its churches west of the Pee-Dee River.[9]

By the early 1880's, after the War Between the States, the economic conditions must have greatly improved. The old church was moved back 100 feet to a location near the present town water tank to become a schoolhouse.[10] The present church building was erected at that time. Frank Ivey, Whitman Smith, Eli Lentz, Thomas Colson, Jr., Eli Shankle, and T. A. Lowder comprised the building committee. Mr. Ivey was the building contractor. The beautiful curved beam ceiling was the talk of the countryside. Builders and engineers came from far and near to see it. Yet, in the beginning, there had developed considerable controversy in respect to the soundness of the idea of a curved beam ceiling. Mr. Ivey felt strongly that his architectural concept was sound and that he could build such a ceiling properly. By posting a performance bond of $1000, Mr. Ivey effectively silenced his critics.[11] Although the church had one major renovation in 1916, and Sunday School rooms were added in 1956, the curved beam ceiling is the same one that Mr. Ivey erected in 1882. The sills, 10 x 12 inches in size, which Jacob and Eli Shankle donated, and which Jacob Shankle hewed with a broad axe, remain in the foundation of the church.

The first bell was bought in Salisbury and was hauled home on a one-horse wagon by Joe and John Bunn who rang the bell from time to time on the way to celebrate the great event.[12]

A year after the Western North Carolina Conference was established by the General Conference of 1890, Norwood was removed from the Albemarle Circuit and along with Randall, Rehobeth, Mt. Zion, and Cedar Grove from the Stanly Circuit,

became the Norwood Circuit in the Salisbury District. Z. Paris was the first pastor.

During the year of 1892, both the Albemarle Circuit parsonage and the Stanly Circuit parsonage were sold and the proceeds divided among the churches involved. A building committee for the Norwood Circuit parsonage was composed of the following men: J. M. Dunlap, F. F. Blalock, J. E. Hathcock, O. H. Upchurch, and W. F. Crump. The same five men were elected parsonage trustees.

The trustees of the Norwood Church were instructed "to dispose of any land lying on the west side of Pee-Dee Avenue, proceeds to go to Parsonage funds." They were also instructed "to convey by Deed to the Parsonage Trustees of Norwood Circuit, one half acre of Norwood Church lot for Parsonage property."[13]

The following interesting items of the history and development of Norwood Methodist Church from 1892 through 1975 were obtained (unless otherwise noted) from records found in old Quarterly Conference Journals and from recollections of members of the church and community.[14]

Even with all the transferring of property going on in 1892, Reverend Z. Paris was able to report to the Quarterly Conference: "We have six Sunday Schools on the charge. They are well attended; use our literature; are training men and women for the church; and are fitting souls for the sky."

In September 1893, Z. Paris reported that he had organized a class at Zoar, consisting of 48 members. The next year Zoar became the sixth church on the Norwood Circuit. It was located six miles from Albemarle, and about three miles from Randall Church.

In 1894, the new circuit parsonage in Norwood was finished, valuation of parsonage and lot $1100, "a garden worth about $100" was built; however, it was not until 1898 that a stable was provided for the pastor's horse. A Woman's Parsonage Society "which is doing great good" was organized.

A committee which had been appointed to advertise and sell the Arbor at Rehobeth in 1898 reported that it had been sold for $12.50. This amount "by action of Conference was appropriated to the enlarging of Rehobeth Church." The pastor, J. A. Clarke, reported: "We have one of the best Woman's Missionary Societies; also the Parsonage Home Mission Society at Norwood."

In 1900, "The old log Church at Zoar has been sold as per order of last Quarterly Conference and the proceeds (fifty cents) reported to this Conference. Conference ordered that it should be used in the interest of Zoar Church."[15]

An important change took place in 1901. Norwood Station was formed consisting of Randall and Norwood with a Sunday School at Fork Academy. J. O. Shelly was the first pastor. The other Norwood Circuit churches went into the Cottonville Circuit."

In 1904, G. G. Harley, P. C. (Pastor in Charge), reported "There are four Sunday Schools on the charge, all of which are doing good work. We have reorganized our 'Factory Hill' School under very favorable circumstances." In searching the records the first mention of a Sunday School on "Factory Hill" was June 2, 1902. This Sunday School was suspended in October 1903. After Rev. Harley reorganized the school, it continued until July 1905 when it had to be disbanded for lack of a place to meet. "A Chapel is to be built in the near future." Evidently the Chapel was built, for in 1906 there were again four Sunday Schools (Norwood, Randall, Fork, and Factory), and in April 1909, J. E. Gay, P. C., reported, "For two weeks I have been holding services at the Factory Chapel." After this, no other records were found concerning any services being held at Factory Chapel.

Authority was given to J. F. Shinn and J. D. Lee, V. L. Shankle, and E. M. Harris (members of the J. F. Shinn Sunday School Class) to build a classroom to the Methodist Church at Norwood. Authorized March 28, 1910.

December 4, 1911, "B. F. Ivey, G. T. Dunlap, and C. A. Lentz were elected a committee to install a lighting system in the church at Norwood. It was moved and carried that C. A. Lentz be appointed to have the church land surveyed and corners established."

The matter of the removal of the cemetery from the church lot to the Town Cemetery was discussed and the following committee was appointed to act if there were no objections: Bro. Shinn, Bro. Lee and J. H. Norwood (October 1915). The cemetery was moved.

Minutes from the fourth Quarterly Conference, October 1, 1917, contain a summary of the work done on the Church building during the quadrennium of Rev. R. M. Taylor.

> Renovated the entire Church plant as follows: Built a Sunday School annex two stories with ten splendid Sunday School rooms, admirably adapted to the use of a modern Sunday School. Enlarged the old annex. Relocated the pulpit and seating plan of the auditorium, beautified the interior of the church so it will not suffer by comparison with any Church in the cities. Tore away the old tower which was too small and built a new one from the ground in which is placed a new 40 inch bell. Brick veneered the entire building. Provided a pastor's study in the church back of the pulpit, and furnished the entire plant with a most delightful lighting system. Heating plant cost about $500. Hot air furnace. Entire cost of renovation $6500. Church plant is easily worth three times as much as before.[16]

In 1918 the trustees borrowed $3,000, more or less, from the Church Extension Board, to take up the present notes on the church. It was during this year that the influenza epidemic hit Norwood and Charles P. Bowles, son of the pastor, J. A. Bowles, said that his job was to ring the new bell every time there was a funeral at the church and that on some days he rang it as many as five times.

The first report of a Christmas Tree program being given was in 1919. "The attendance was large and the splendid program rendered was thoroughly enjoyed. Ira Erwin, P. C."

"At the fourth Quarterly Conference, October 1921, the matter of the separation of the Stanly County Methodist Circuits was discussed but no

action taken." In the minutes of the first Quarterly Conference, December 1921, it is noted that Norwood and Randall had been separated, making Norwood a Station at this time with its own full-time pastor, C. M. Short. Randall was placed in the Norwood Circuit. The value of church property was $20,000. Later the northwest corner lot of the Norwood Church was deeded to the Norwood Circuit.

C. M. Short, P. C., 1921, suggested the following objectives:

(1) That we shall further beautify our already large and attractive lawn,
(2) That steps be taken as soon as practicable looking toward clearing our Church of all indebtedness,
(3) That we begin now to plan and pray for a gracious Revival.

The Sunday School superintendent, Dr. T. A. Hathcock gave this report in September 1922:

> Our Sunday School sent and paid the expenses of four of our teachers to Junaluska Training School this summer and one assistant teacher attended the training school at her own expense.
>
> Our teacher's meeting and worker's council have functioned fairly well most of the year. It seems difficult to get the teachers to attend a teacher's meeting. We recommend and hope to see a teacher training class organized soon.
>
> Respectfully submitted,
> September 17, 1922 T. A. Hathcock, Supt.

During F. O. Dryman's tenure as pastor the following were a few of the things accomplished:

> Plans for remodeling the parsonage were being worked out (1924).
> Cokesbury Hymnals were bought (1924).
> A. F. Mabry, H. S. Freeman, and Ed M. Harris were elected a parsonage Builders Committee (1926).
> The Ladies Aid Society repaired the windows, painted woodwork and guttering of the church at an expenditure of $150 (1926).
> The Fork Sunday School closed in 1928.

R. L. Young, Pastor, 1938-39:

> The church has greatly enjoyed having Miss Louise Avett during her home vacation last year. It was our pleasure to have her conduct a number of services during the year. The last service she conducted was on December 18, after which the pastor, in behalf of the church, presented her with a love offering. Miss Louise is

now on her way back to China, and as she goes the prayerful interest of the church will follow her.

Another item worthy of note and indicative of the seed that this church has been sowing, is the fact that another one of her sons, Clegg Avett, a brother of Miss Louise, was admitted into the Western North Carolina Conference last fall, and is now stationed at Landis. The church is duly proud of him, and is expecting great things of him.

Robes for the choir are being completed this week and will be ready for use Sunday.

A lovely piano has been bought, paid for and installed in the intermediate department.

One hundred new Methodist Hymnals have been placed in the church making a total of 175.

The church has built and furnished with lighting fixtures a most splendid tennis court just below the parsonage for the young people of the community. (The present parsonage stands on the site of the tennis court.)

1940: An old debt of $800 was paid off. Improvements were made on the church and parsonage and the church was free of all indebtedness.

1941: The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society became the Women's Society of Christian Service and Mrs. Raymond Skidmore became the first president.

The first baby born in the parsonage was Jane Hefner, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Cecil Hefner.

1942: We are rather proud of the Soldier's Lounge that was maintained by our church for the soldiers that trained in our community. R. C. Stubbins, Pastor.

Dr. Thomas A. Hathcock became Superintendent Emeritus after serving faithfully for thirty-six years. Mr. C. J. Scott became the new superintendent.

On Sunday, April 28, 1946, numerous records were placed in a cornerstone of the church. A paper written by Mr. John H. Norwood, regarding the history of the church and community, was placed in a copper box along with other data. In the same year the Methodist Hut was started.

1949: A Building Fund campaign was begun to raise $15,000 for building a new parsonage and for renovating the church. Building Committee: D. E. Lefler, Chairman; L. E. Dry, Vice-Chairman; J. C. Guffy, J. L. Lee, M. V. Lowder.

1950: The Women's Society of Christian Service published a cookbook, and a second one was published in 1959.

1951: The new parsonage was built on the site of the old tennis court and the old parsonage sold and moved to a new location on New Street near the northeast section of the church property. (Now owned and occupied by a member of the church, Mr. J. T. Britt.) The site of the old parsonage was converted to a parking lot which still remains.

1954: The $8,000 note was burned and the parsonage was dedicated. Rev. E. O. Peeler initiated the summer program of Duke students to work with the young people.

1956: A new Sunday School addition was built joining the church with the Hut.

A new District was formed in 1960. The churches in Stanly, Union and Anson were put into the Albemarle District with the District Superintendent living in Albemarle. W. J. Huneycutt was the first District Superintendent.

The 25th anniversary of the Women's Society of Christian Service was celebrated on November 2, 1964, while Mr. McCulley was pastor.

Mrs. McCulley began a kindergarten in the Hut in the 1960's.
Cottage prayer meetings were held on Sunday nights.

In 1970-71 the sanctuary was refurbished - new pews were bought and all over carpet was laid at a cost of $12,000. Memorial gifts were used to buy cathedral lights and help defray the cost of the renovation project.

A Lay Witness Weekend was held in 1973. Guests for the occasion came from many churches and spent the weekend in homes of members. The program was under the direction of Mr. Bob Parish of High Point.

In 1973-74 the Sunday School rooms, Hut, and parsonage were refurbished. A new heating and air conditioning system was installed, and the church kitchen was remodeled for a total cost of around $19,800.

Today the facilities are used by Methodists and others in the community. The Norwood Senior Citizens hold regular meetings in the Methodist Hut. The Nursery School is held on two mornings a week and Kindergarten on three.

A group of young people led by Gurney A. Barbee, Jr., formed a singing group known as "The Prophets". They gave their first concert in the church to an overflow crowd on May 27, 1973.

Gurney Barbee, Jr., has participated in the lake ministry at the Norwood Campground since its beginning about three years ago. He has held services there every Sunday during the past summer.

On September 27, 1975, a Mission Festival was held for the first time. Mr. and Mrs. Needham Snuggs were Project Chairmen. A steak supper, which was served to 800 people, and a bazaar, games, magic show, and auction sale netted $2,676 - all proceeds to be directed to the World Mission Specials of the United Methodist Church.

Although there have been many outstanding members of this church, there are several people who warrant special recognition. Mrs. J. F. Shinn was District Missionary Secretary for many years. Mr. J. F. Shinn was a delegate to the General Conference from the Western North Carolina Conference twice.

Miss Louise Avett was a missionary to China for 13½ years and later a missionary to Hong Kong for 10 years.

Others from the church have been active in the North Carolina Conference as ministers and Christian Educational Directors. You will find the complete list elsewhere in this booklet.

As we look back these 150 years, we recognize that ours is a great and glorious heritage. We trust that our lives may be lived by the grace of God in such a way that future historians may be justly proud of our accomplishments.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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15. Nothing remains of the old Zoar Church (which united with Union Chapel in 1925), but a rock-walled cemetery, now overgrown with large oak trees.
16. In the renovation of the church in 1916, it is noted that the brick for the church came from the Pee Dee Brick Company. Lee and Will Pickler brick veneered the church. Frank Ivey and John Whitlock had charge of the carpentry work. Travis Smith was also a carpenter. Rufus Lisk, who helped make the brick gave this information on October 6, 1975.

PASTORS OF THE NORWOOD METHODIST CHURCH

Date of Conference	Place of Conference Session	Name of Pastor
	Methodist Episcopal Church, Montgomery Circuit Cheraw District, South Carolina Conference	
2/1825	Wilmington	J. W. Norton
1/1826	Milledgeville, Ga.	Adam Warwick
1/1827	Augusta, Ga.	Adam Warwick
2/1928	Camden, S.C.	William Crook
1/1929	Charleston, S.C.	J. M. Bradley
1/1830	Columbia, S.C.	William Martin
1/1931	Fayetteville	William Martin
1/1832	Darlington, S.C.	A. McPherson
	Center (Norwood) Circuit formed Cheraw District, South Carolina Conference	
1/1833	Lincolnton	David Derrick
2/1834	Charleston, S.C.	David Derrick
2/1835	Columbia, S.C.	J. B. Anthony
2/1836	Charleston, S.C.	P. G. Bowman
1/1837	Wilmington	David Derrick and A. Hoyle
1/1838	Columbia, S.C.	P. G. Bowman and A. Hamilton
1/1839	Cheraw, S.C.	A. Hoyle and Simpson Jones
1/1840	Charleston, S.C.	Alex H. Walker
2/1841	Camden, S.C.	S. D. Laney and A. H. Richardson
1/1842	Charlotte	H. G. Ogleman and L. M. Little
2/1843	Cokesbury, S.C.	Simpson Jones
2/1844	Georgetown, S.C.	W. T. Harrison and J. Parker
12/1844	Columbia, S.C.	J. A. McMacins
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12/1845	Fayetteville	Wesley Pegues
	Albemarle Circuit formed Cheraw District, South Carolina Conference	
1/1847	Charleston, S.C.	Thomas Postell
1/1848	Wilmington	Thomas Postell
12/1848	Spartanburg, S.C.	Thomas Postell
12/1849	Camden, S.C.	Abraham Nettles
12/1850	Wadesboro	W. S. Holton
12/1851	Georgetown, S.C.	W. S. Holton
1/1853	Sumter, S.C.	J. M. Bradley
11/1853	Newberry, S.C.	Abner Ervin
11/1854	Columbia, S.C.	William Easterling
11/1855	Marion, S.C.	W. C. Clark
11/1856	Yorkville, S.C.	B. G. Jones
11/1857	Charlotte	Daniel May
12/1858	Charleston, S.C.	J. W. Puett
11/1859	Greenville, S.C.	J. W. Puett

Date of Conference	Place of Conference Session	Name of Pastor
12/1860	Columbia, S.C.	A. H. Walker
12/1861	Chester, S.C.	J. M. Cline
12/1862	Spartanburg, S.C.	Simpson Jones
12/1863	Sumter, S.C.	Simpson Jones
11/1864	Newberry, S.C.	J. W. Abernathy and J. C. Hartsell
11/1865	Charlotte	J. W. Abernathy and J. C. Hartsell
12/1866	Marion, S.C.	J. W. Puett
12/1867	Morganton	J. W. Puett
12/1868	Abbeville, S.C.	J. W. Puett
12/1869	Cheraw, S.C.	J. W. Puett

Churches west of Pee-Dee placed in North Carolina Conference of
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH

Albemarle Circuit, Salisbury District
North Carolina Conference

11/1870	Greensboro	J. C. Hartsell
12/1871	Charlotte	J. C. Hartsell
12/1872	Fayetteville	James Mahoney
12/1873	Goldsboro	R. M. Brown
12/1874	Raleigh	T. Page Ricard
12/1875	Wilmington	T. Page Ricard
11/1876	Greensboro	T. Page Ricard
11/1877	Salisbury	T. Page Ricard
11/1878	Charlotte	Ira T. Wyche and C. M. Pepper
12/1879	Wilson	Ira T. Wyche and C. M. Pepper
12/1880	Winston-Salem	W. T. Cutchins
12/1881	Durham	T. J. Gattis
12/1882	Raleigh	T. J. Gattis
12/1883	Statesville	T. J. Gattis
12/1884	Wilmington	T. J. Gattis
12/1885	Charlotte	P. F. W. Stamey
12/1886	Reidsville	J. C. Rowe
12/1887	Fayetteville	J. C. Rowe
11/1888	New Bern	L. E. Stacey
11/1889	Greensboro	L. E. Stacey

The above information on pastors is taken from Bethel United Methodist Church records, Ivey L. Sharpe, Stanly County USA) since they seemed to be more accurate than our own. The information on conference sessions comes from Elmer T. Clark, Methodism in Western North Carolina.
The following information is taken from the records in our own file.

Western North Carolina Conference formed
Norwood Circuit, Salisbury District

11/1890	Concord	L. E. Stacey
11/1891	Asheville	Z. Paris
11/1892	Winston	Z. Paris
11/1893	Charlotte	Z. Paris

Date of Conference	Place of Conference Session	Name of Pastor
11/1894	Statesville	T. S. Ellington
11/1895	Reidsville	T. S. Ellington
11/1896	Salisbury	J. A. Clark
11/1897	Asheville	J. A. Clark
11/1898	Winston	J. A. Clark
11/1899	Concord	J. A. Clark
11/1900	Greensboro	J. O. Shelley
11/1901	Gastonia	J. O. Shelley

Norwood Station (with Randalls and a Sunday School at Fork Academy)

11/1902	Monroe	J. O. Shelley
11/1903	High Point	G. G. Hurley
11/1904	Charlotte	G. G. Hurley
11/1905	Greensboro	A. L. Stanford
11/1906	Mt. Airy	A. L. Stanford
11/1907	Salisbury	R. M. Courtney
11/1908	Asheville	J. E. Gay
11/1909	Hickory	T. E. Wagg
11/1910	Winston-Salem	J. W. Clegg
11/1911	Statesville	J. W. Clegg
11/1912	High Point	J. W. Clegg
11/1913	Charlotte	R. M. Taylor
11/1914	Shelby	R. M. Taylor and J. D. Rankin
11/1915	Reidsville	R. M. Taylor
11/1916	Gastonia	R. M. Taylor
11/1917	Asheville	J. A. Bowles
11/1918	Charlotte	J. A. Bowles
11/1919	Greensboro	Ira Erwin
11/1920	Salisbury	Ira Erwin

Norwood Station (without Randalls)

10/1921	High Point	C. M. Short
10/1922	Monroe	Fred O. Dryman
10/1923	Winston-Salem	Fred O. Dryman
10/1924	Greensboro	Fred O. Dryman
10/1925	Statesville	Fred O. Dryman
10/1926	Gastonia	P. L. Shore, Sr.
11/1927	Asheville	P. L. Shore, Sr.
10/1928	Charlotte	P. L. Shore, Sr.
10/1929	High Point	P. L. Shore, Sr.
11/1930	Greensboro	W. H. Willis
11/1931	Asheville	R. A. Swaringen
11/1932	Winston-Salem	R. A. Swaringen
11/1933	Charlotte	R. A. Swaringen
10/1934	Greensboro	A. P. Ratledge
10/1935	Salisbury	A. P. Ratledge
10/1936	Salisbury	A. P. Ratledge
10/1937	Asheville	R. L. Young
10/1938	Charlotte	R. L. Young

Last Session of Western North Carolina Conference of METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH

Date of Conference	Place of Conference Session	Name of Pastor
Methodist Episcopal Church, Methodist Protestant Church and Methodist Episcopal Church, South merged to form THE METHODIST CHURCH		
10/1939	Greensboro	Cecil Hefner
10/1940	High Point	Cecil Hefner
10/1941	Winston-Salem	R. C. Stubbins
10/1942	Charlotte: First	R. C. Stubbins
10/1943	Statesville	R. C. Stubbins
10/1944	Charlotte: Myers Park	W. R. Jenkins
10/1945	Greensboro	W. R. Jenkins
10/1946	Asheville	W. R. Jenkins
10/1947	Charlotte: Dilworth	W. R. Jenkins
9/1948	High Point	H. D. Garmon
9/1949	Winston-Salem	H. D. Garmon
9/1950	Asheville	H. D. Garmon
9/1951	Greensboro	H. D. Garmon
9/1952	Charlotte: First	H. D. Garmon
9/1953	High Point	H. D. Garmon
9/1954	Asheville	E. O. Peeler
9/1955	Charlotte: Dilworth	E. O. Peeler
9/1956	Winston-Salem	E. O. Peeler
6/1957	Lake Junaluska	E. O. Peeler
6/1958	Lake Junaluska	Ralph Miller
6/1959	Lake Junaluska	Ralph Miller
Albemarle District formed (Stanly, Anson and Union Counties)		
6/1960	Lake Junaluska	Ralph Miller
6/1961	Lake Junaluska	Ralph Miller
6/1962	Lake Junaluska	Glenn McCulley
6/1963	Lake Junaluska	Glenn McCulley
6/1964	Lake Junaluska	Glenn McCulley
6/1965	Lake Junaluska	Glenn McCulley
6/1966	Lake Junaluska	Donald Rollins
Evangelical United Brethren merged with The Methodist Church to form THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH		
6/1967	Lake Junaluska	Donald Rollins
6/1968	Lake Junaluska	James P. Hornbuckle, Jr.
6/1969	Lake Junaluska	James P. Hornbuckle, Jr.
6/1970	Lake Junaluska	James P. Hornbuckle, Jr.
6/1971	Lake Junaluska	James P. Hornbuckle, Jr.
6/1972	Lake Junaluska	Ralph E."Jack" Kayler
6/1973	Lake Junaluska	Ralph E."Jack" Kayler
6/1974	Lake Junaluska	Ralph E."Jack" Kayler
6/1975	Lake Junaluska	Ralph E."Jack" Kayler

NOTED SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF THE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORWOOD

The Christian influence of the Norwood Methodist Church has been spread not only by its members into the surrounding community, but also has been carried further afield by those who have dedicated their lives to Christian service.

Among former members who have served Christ or are still serving are:

*Rev. J. M. Lowder

*Rev. James Ira Avett, local preacher

*Brother Nathan Baldwin, exhorter

Mrs. Blanche Barringer Brian, D. C. E.

*Miss Sally Lowder, Deaconess; served in the United States

Miss Louise Avett, missionary to China and Hong Kong

Rev. Walter Lee Lanier

Rev. Clegg W. Avett

Mrs. Myrtle Brewer Smith, D. C. E.

Rev. William L. Crowell

John David Colson, supply pastor

Robert Carpenter, Jr., ministerial student and lay pastor

Children of former pastors who have gone into full-time Christian service include:

*Dr. George Harley, missionary to Liberia, Africa

*Rev. Charles P. Bowles, District Superintendent of Albemarle District

Rev. P. L. Shore, Jr., District Superintendent of Gastonia District

Rev. R. L. Young, Jr., Secretary, Amer. Soc. World Methodist Council

Mrs. Amelia Garmon Biesecker, D. C. E.

*Deceased

CHURCH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

Norwood Methodist Church

1892-1893	M. E. Blalock	1949-1950	J. P. Lowder
1894-1895	R. L. Smith	1951	James I. Avett, Jr.
1896	T. C. Ingram	1952-1953	J. T. Britt
1897-1900	R. L. Smith	1954-1955	Austin Reid
1901-1906	W. C. Kendall	1956-1959	Robert E. Lowder
1907-1916	Dr. T. A. Hathcock	1960-1961	James W. Talbert, Jr.
1917-1918	J. F. Shinn	1962-1965	George W. Heafner
1919-1942	Dr. T. A. Hathcock	* 1966-1973	James E. Colson
1943-1945	C. J. Scott	1974	Mrs. L. Eugene Morton
1946-1948	S. V. Ross	1975	Thomas Needham Snuggs

Fork Academy

1894-1899	S. J. Lentz
1900-1904	L. A. Lentz
1905	L. C. Blalock
1906-1907	S. H. Vick
1908-1912	S. J. Lentz
1913	I. H. Shankle
1914-1917	no record
1918-1928	S. H. Vick

"Factory"

1902-1904	M. H. Kendall
1905	M. T. Blalock
1906-	M. H. Kendall

* In 1972 the Church School Superintendent became known as Superintendent of the Work Study Program.

WOMEN'S ORGANIZATIONS

The first account of a woman's organization was found in the Quarterly Conference minutes, dated April 7, 1894, when Z. Paris reported that a Woman's Parsonage Society had been organized to take care of the parsonage and other local needs.

The first official record from minutes of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is dated April 16, 1905, with Mrs. G. G. Harley (wife of the pastor), as president. At the third Quarterly Conference held July 29, 1905, Mrs. Harley made the following report:

> The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society submits the following report - Each monthly meeting has been fairly well attended - with always a loyal and marked interest in our loved cause - number of members - 21. Amount raised to date $59.84.
>
> Golden Links - (Young People's Society) organized in May with a number of 14. Young people very much interested. Amount raised to date $1.80.
>
> The Light Bearers - (Children's Society) has a membership of 19 - Are faithful little workers. Have raised for the cause this year - $10.14 - Total $71.78
>
> Mrs. G. G. Harley, Pres. Woman's Aux.
> Miss Minnie Coleson, Pres. Golden Links
> Miss Ola Atkins, Pres. Light Bearers

Missionary meetings were first held at the church on Sunday afternoons, but in 1908, they began to meet in homes of members, with the first meeting at the home of Mrs. B. F. Ivey. Activities of the society have been varied and inspiring. Some sample excerpts from the 1908 minutes are:

> Miss Bessie Ivey presided at the organ at the meeting in March.
>
> In October, a vocal duet, "Rock of Ages", was sweetly rendered by Misses Bessie Ivey and Nannie Watkins, accompanied at the piano by Miss Bertie Harris, in the usual artistic manner.
>
> Mrs. M. E. Blalock gave a graphic report of the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society (held) in Asheville.

In 1910, the following reports were made to the Quarterly Conference:

> ...We have undertaken the support of a native worker in Korea in addition to our regular assessments for missions...(March 28)
>
> We have a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society that is thoroughly awake and is doing much to disseminate missionary intelligence in the congregation... T. E. Wagg, P. C. (October 3)
>
> We have a Foreign Missionary Society which has done fine work. We rejoice that our good women are organized to help evangelize the heathen world... J. W. Clegg, P. C. (December 10)

Miss Lesca Freeman (Mrs. T. A. Hathcock), president, reported in September 1922, that the Missionary Society was "divided in three Circles with a membership of 37", and that they were working to raise the amount assessed them by the Conference.

A Communion Table was bought in 1923 by the Missionary Society.

At the first Quarterly Conference in January 1928, the Woman's Missionary Society gave the following report:

> We are glad to report that for the last quarter the work of the Woman's Missionary Society has been along the lines of definite progress. During this time a forward step was when the Ladies Aid Society and the Woman's Missionary Society were consolidated. From this new organization we are hoping to become more and more useful in the Master's work...
>
> Mrs. J. I. Avett, Secretary

During the year 1937, the name of the society was changed to the "Louise Avett Missionary Society" in honor of Miss Louise Avett, a foreign missionary. A tea was given to welcome her home on furlough from China. A tea was given also to welcome the new pastor, R. L. Young, and his family. Old dilapidated furniture at the parsonage was sold at a yard sale, with proceeds applied to replace a dresser.

In 1939, plans were made for the society to be responsible for placing flowers in the sanctuary each Sunday. Financial aid was given to a student at Brevard College.

Other activities of the society throughout ensuing years include:

Sponsored a Brownie Troop
Sponsored a child at the Methodist Children's Home in Winston Salem
Sold magazine subscriptions
Collected Octagon Soap and other coupons, and Green Stamps
Held rummage sales
Served suppers to the Lion's Club and other groups, including meals on election days
Sent the Upper Room to college students, and to those in military service
Bought screens for the Hut

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was changed to the Women's Society of Christian Service and the charter meeting was held on September 3, 1941.

Following the unification of the Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren into the United Methodist Church, the Women's Society of Christian Service ceased to exist. Mrs. Herman F. Smith was the last president. In 1973, the United Methodist Women's organization was formed. There were 57 charter members and Mrs. K. L. Young was president. This year, 1975, the membership numbers 66.

Even though the names of the society have been changed from time to time, the work has been faithfully carried on by the women of the church.

PRESIDENTS OF WOMEN'S WORK

WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

1905	Mrs. G. G. Harley	1917-1921	Mrs. I. V. Lowder
1906	Mrs. A. P. Harris	1922-1926	Miss Lesca Freeman
1907	no record	1927-1928	Mrs. J. F. Shinn
1908	Mrs. R. M. Courtney	1929-1930	Mrs. P. L. Shore
1909-1911	Mrs. J. F. Shinn	1931	Mrs. J. I. Avett
1912	Mrs. J. W. Clegg	1932-1933	Mrs. Blanche Freeman
1913-1914	Mrs. Joe Lilly	1934-1935	Mrs. O. B. Mabry
1915	Mrs. J. F. Shinn	1936-1937	Mrs. E. M. Harris
1916	Mrs. R. M. Taylor	1938-1939	Mrs. F. H. Shinn

WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE

1940-1941	Mrs. Raymond Skidmore	1956-1957	Mrs. R. E. Young
1942-1943	Mrs. J. W. Lisk	1958	Mrs. Ira Lefler
1944	Mrs. James I. Avett, Jr.	1959-1960	Mrs. G. W. Ivey
1945-1946	Mrs. O. B. Mabry	1961-1962	Mrs. Lucille Woodall
1947-1948	Mrs. E. M. Harris	1963-1964	Mrs. T. Herbert Lee
1949	Mrs. J. C. Mabry	1965-1966	Mrs. J. C. Guffy
1950-1951	Mrs. D. E. Lefler	1967-1968	Mrs. Julian S. Trail
1952-1953	Mrs. Earl Lefler	1969-1970	Mrs. R. S. Sims
1954-1955	Mrs. K. L. Young	1971-1972	Mrs. Herman F. Smith

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

1973-1974	Mrs. K. L. Young
1975-	Mrs. James I. Avett, Jr.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S ORGANIZATIONS OTHER THAN SUNDAY SCHOOL

1897 - In summer, one Epworth League was organized with 47 members (no name). In November, two Leagues reported.

1898 - "...We have two Epworth Leagues in operation. There are about 100 members on roll in these two Leagues, but we are sorry to state that there is not a correspondingly large number who take active part in the work of the Leagues. We fear that the various officers do not put forth effort sufficient to carry on all the work intended for the League. But these Leagues both being young, there is reason to hope for improvement. We shall lose no opportunity to encourage and help the Leagues..." J. A. Clark, P. C.

This was in January of that year; in September, the Leagues were named, Randall and Norwood, with "...the one at Norwood...making decided progress in all its departments..." J. A. Clark, P. C. (Western North Carolina Conference created a Standing Committee on Epworth League in 1898 - we were one of 96 already existing in the Conference).

1900 - J. A. Clark, P. C., stated that the Leagues seemed more interested in..."devotional not literary and help departments..."

1901 - In May, "...We had one Epworth League at Norwood which was dead when I came here, except that they had prayer meeting on Sunday night and it is now suspended. We hope to reorganize it in the near future..." J. O. Shelley, P. C.

1904 - In May, League reorganized at Norwood; by July, "...We have one League at Norwood. We believe our League is feeling the importance of its existence more largely at present than at any time since its reorganization. A special feature is a Literary Social concluding with refreshments that was very much enjoyed at the Parsonage on the 15th..." G. G. Harley, P. C.

1905 - Active early, poor attendance in summer, improvement by October.

1906 - Active League, 22 members; president, Dr. J. M. Lilly; first vice president, Henry Lipe; second vice president, Agnes Lilly; secretary and treasurer, Jessie Upchurch. Light Bearers; president, Dunlap Hathcock; first vice president, Jonsie M. Lee; second vice president, Fannie Grace Cutchins; corresponding secretary, Lula Whitlock; recording secretary, Cora Colson.

1908 - In February,"...I have been looking over the field with a view of reorganizing a Senior League..." R. M. Courtney, P. C. (no league at this time). By August there was an active League; president, J. H. Turner; first vice president, Miss Bessie Ivey; second vice president, Miss Effie Turner; secretary, Miss Lillie Lanier; treasurer, Miss Nannie Watkins; 21 members in September.

1909 - Early in year, League active with 24 members, but by spring and summer they were not meeting and by fall, no League.

1911 - No League, but Children's Missionary Society was mentioned, associated with the Women's Foreign Missionary Society.

1913 - In April, League organized with 32 members and Miss Polly Hightman spoken of as an officer. In July, Hayward Deese was president.

1914 - League "extinct". November minutes of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society mentions Miss Kathleen Lisk as president of Light Bearers.

1915 - In February, as Epworth League had "gone out of business", a motion was made that the remaining money be given to the Young People's Missionary Society.

1916 - An individual cup communion set and two collection plates were presented to the church from a Junior Missionary Society by Miss Leola Atkins, adult leader.

1920 - Epworth League organized in June with 27 members; by September, 60.

1921 - Active League with J. W. Hathcock as president early in the year. In October, president was Otto Mabry and secretary, Ruth Erwin. Young People's Missionary Society had 22 on roll in April, increasing to 35 in October, regular meetings, a mission study class of 12. President, Ruth Norwood; secretary, Minerva Heilig.

1922 - League inactive by December.

1923 - Epworth League organized June 10, with 35 charter members - by October, 50 members, regular meetings; delegates sent to League meeting in Charlotte; a thanksgiving offering sent to one family. President, Annette Shinn.
Young People's Missionary Society had 39 members, Junior Missionary Society, 38.

1924 - League meeting weekly with 4th Sunday night given over to Young People's Missionary Society. In June there were visits by and advice given by Conference and District secretaries on how to become a more effective League. By December, there were two Leagues, Senior and Intermediate, with 50 members. President, Walter Lee Lanier.
Mr. Dryman, P. C., reports that there were 60 members, that a mission study and bible study were held during the year, combining the Leagues and Young People's Missionary Society, with most of the money going to the Missionary Society.

1926 - Still two Leagues, 48 in Senior, 30 in Intermediate. Young People's Missionary Society working with Leagues sent contribution to missions and held mission study. President, Sarah Belle Heilig.

1927 - Two Leagues, 68 members.

1930 - December report to Church Conference by Carrie Ross, secretary of Epworth League: Watch-night party to ring in New Year; helped two families; sent small fund to Missionary Department and had some more to send; divided into four Departments, Social Service, Missionary, Spiritual Work, Recreation and Culture; met weekly on Sunday nights; monthly with County League; began a League Library with ten books;

plan to have a mission study; entertained County Mission three times (once with chicken stew and coffee); won District Electric Cross for highest percentage of efficiency during year.

1931-39 - Some time during these years: James Avett, Franklin Shinn, and Josephine Kiker were adult workers with young people. Sadie Watson was president at one time and Hazel Watson and Bob Vick were active in League. Juanita Avett, Lucy Alexander, and James Avett went to Junaluska and Youth Activities Weeks were held. (Mrs. James Avett from memory). The church built a tennis court for the young people late in the thirties.

1939 - Three Intermediates went to Camp Carlyle: Billy Crowell, Nancy Baldwin Harris, Lula Patterson Mabry. Three Seniors to Junaluska: Randall Hathcock, Hazel Watson, Sadie Watson.

1940 - Sunrise Service at Easter and Thanksgiving; planning a Christmas pageant, some attended a youth rally in Salisbury.

1941 - Average attendance, 15.

1942 - Methodist Youth Fellowship: President, Lula Mabry; adult leader, Mrs. Raymond Skidmore.

1943 - Average attendance, 10 to 12.

1944 - Young people fix up a social room in educational building; four were sent to Methodist District Training Schools (complaint, scarcity of young people).

1945 - There was an MYF during at least a part of this year and plans were made to send some youth to Carlyle and Junaluska, but no MYF was reported in November.

1946 - In September, president, Jane Barringer; in November, president, Libby Mabry.

1947 - President, Mary Jewell Jenkins.

1948 - President, Mary Jewell Jenkins, until Conference, then president, Mary Alice Harris.

1949-50 - President, James Ivey; vice president, Raymond Skidmore, Jr.; secretary, Molly Britt; average attendance of 17.

1950-51 - President, June Curtis; adult leader, Miss Betty Shankle. Weekly youth meetings; fruit boxes for sick at Christmas; Church flowers on Mother's Day; summer camp at Camp Nixon (beach) with 15 campers; 12 members.

1952-53 - President was Molly Britt and there were 64 campers at Camp Nixon.

1953-54 - President, Jimmie Britt, 15 campers.

1954-55 - President, Wanda Russell, who also served on Commissions on Evangelism and Education; Jenny Mabry served on Commission on Education;

Nancy Lee served on Commissions on Missions and Evangelism. Two MYFers served as officers in Sub-district; ice cream suppers were given to raise money.

1955-56 - President, Adelaide Young and adult leader, Mrs. James Avett. Jo Lynn Avett went to camp; five local young people served as officers in Sub-district; four went to Tekoa and three to Junaluska; Duke student help during summer.

1956-57 - President, Robert Lee. Eight went to camp and there was an Easter Sunrise Service.

1957-58 - President, Leslie Young; three to Junaluska.

1958-59 - President, Elaine Lee; Youth Activities Week, Easter Sunrise Service, Watch-night Service.

1959-60 - President, Joy Maner; Christian Witness Chairman, Johnnie Poplin; Christian Outreach Chairman, Sandra Lee; adult leaders were Mrs. Austin Reid, Mrs. J. C. Guffy, Mrs. R. E. Young.

1960-61 - President, Jack Reid.

1961-62 - President, Mary Ellen Guffy; Louise York Avett attended the UN Seminar; Youth Activities Week; five went to summer camp; money was collected for UNICEF and there was Christmas caroling.

1962-63 - Two MYF's in this year: Senior Hi, president, Gurney A. Barbee, Jr.; vice president, Frances Norwood; secretary, Byron Colson; treasurer, Herman Smith, Jr.; Junior Hi, president, Lemira Guffy; vice president, Eddie Young; secretary-treasurer, Richard Lisenby; adult leaders, Mrs. Raymond Skidmore, Joe Arbo, Worth Pegram, Mrs. Herbert Lee, Mrs. Sam Blackwelder, Mrs. Joe Guffy, Mrs. Glenn McCulley, Mrs. R. E. Young.
Older Youth president, Harriette Lefler with Mrs. James Avett and Mrs. Kermit Young, adult leaders. Seven attended Tekoa and Junaluska; Christmas drama; average attendance, 25.

1963-64 - Two MYF's, 24 members; two went to UN Seminar, five to Junaluska, seven to Tekoa; presented Christmas program.

1964-65 - Senior Hi, president, Nancy Farmer; vice president, John David Colson; secretary, Lillie Rose Turner; treasurer, Rickie Thompson. Junior Hi, president, Byron Upchurch; vice president, Becky Heafner; treasurer, Peggy Skidmore. Adult workers, Mrs. Glenn McCulley, Mr. Bill Talent, Mrs. Luther Laton, Mrs. George Heafner, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Tesh, Raymond Skidmore, Jr.

1965-66 - President, Steve Laton; average attendance of 30.

1966-67 - President, Tommy Norwood; three to Tekoa; 24 Senior Hi's, 12 Junior Hi's.

1968-69 - Adult workers, Mrs. Herman Smith, Mrs. Earl Collins

1971-72 - Member on Council on Ministries, Nancy Smith; adult workers, Mrs. Herman Smith and Mrs. Earl Collins.

1972-73 - President, Nellie Collins; vice president, Jack Smith; secretary, Lisa Mabry; treasurer, Gale Barbee.

1973-74 - The Prophets, an interdenominational singing group of about 50 young people, Gurney A. Barbee, Jr., adult worker.

1974-75 - Danita Snuggs and Don Laton served on Administrative Board; some to Tekoa and Junaluska; MYF youth chairman, Claude Kayler; adult worker, Mrs. James Bunn.

This material comes from CHURCH and QUARTERLY CONFERENCE records, minutes of Women's Missionary organizations, minutes of Stewards meetings, etc. (these are on file at the church). The large gap in the thirties is due to lack of records. Mrs. James Avett has given some information, as she remembers it, of these years.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY - Adult Workers: Miss Leola Atkins, Mrs. Joe Lilly, Mrs. J. F. Shinn, Mrs. Meachum, Mrs. T. T. Salyer, Mrs. C. M. Short, Mrs. F. O. Dryman, Mrs. J. V. Barringer, Mrs. Sam Ross, Mrs. P. L. Shore, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Carl Boysworth, Mrs. W. H. Harris.

EPWORTH LEAGUE - Adult Workers: Franklin Shinn, James Avett, Miss Josephine Kiker (during the thirties).

METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP - Adult Workers: All Pastors, Mrs. Raymond Skidmore, Miss Betty Shankle, Mrs. Claude Ayers, Mrs. J. C. Guffy, Mrs. James Avett, Mrs. Austin Reid, Robert Young, Joe Arbo, Worth Pegram, Mrs. Herbert Lee, Mrs. Sam Blackwelder, Mrs. Robert Young, Mrs. Glenn McCulley, Mrs. Kermit Young, Bill Talent, Mrs. Luther Laton, Mrs. G. A. Barbee, Mrs. George Heafner, George Heafner, Sam Tesh, Mrs. Sam Tesh, Miss Ruth Norwood, Mrs. James Talbert, Raymond Skidmore, Jr., Mrs. W. T. Norwood, Mrs. Herman Smith, Mrs. James Lowder, Mrs. Earl Collins, Gurney A. Barbee, Jr., Mrs. James Bunn.

UNITED NATIONS SEMINAR - Harriette Lefler, Gwen Guffy, Louise York Avett, Eddie Young, Jane Lee, Jimmy Skidmore, Lillie Rose Turner, Gurney A. Barbee, Jr., Herman Smith, Jr., Becky Heafner, Jimmy Smith, Frances Norwood, Jane Hayman, Tommy Norwood, Eloise Lowder, Miriam Eddins, Sally Young, Don Laton.

GOD AND COUNTRY AWARDS - Mac Lentz, Jimmy Skidmore, "Bo" Shiplett, Eddie Young, Gary Satterfield, Herman Smith, Jr., Tommy Norwood, Steve Laton, Jimmy Avett, Jimmy Smith, Sammy Lentz, Bobby Collins, Don Laton.

MUSIC IN THE CHURCH

Music plays a vital and necessary role in setting the mood for the worship service. Many messages are told through songs, whether they be specials, chorals, or congregational. Singing is a part of the service in which everyone can participate in expressing joy, love, peace, and praise.

There have been many organists, pianists, and choir directors. Among the organists and/or pianists are: Mrs. M. E. (Eula Ivey) Blalock, Miss Bess Ivey, Miss Ruth Rankin, Mrs. J. C. (Louise Kendall) Mabry, D. E. Lefler, Miss Louise Atwell, John Link, Mrs. James Lowder, Miss Johnsie Lee, Mrs. J. P. (Miss Polly) Lowder, and Mrs. John (Helen Lefler) Garner. Included among the choir directors are: Will C. Kendall, James Ira Avett, Mrs. J. V. Barringer, John Link, Mrs. J. P. Lowder, James I. Avett, Jr., D. E. Lefler, and Mrs. Ramelle F. Austin. At the present, Mrs. Ramelle F. Austin is director of the choir, and Mrs. John Garner is organist.

In the very early years a pump organ was used, then a piano. In 1936, the church purchased a new type of organ. John Link, music teacher in the Norwood School, went with a group of church people to Charlotte for a demonstration of a Hammond organ. They were impressed enough to influence the church to borrow $1500 to buy the organ, which is still in use. On July 27, 1947, Maas Chimes, presented by Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Lefler, were added to the organ.

There have been gifts of pianos. The present one in the sanctuary was given April 7, 1968, in memory of Earl Lefler by his family.

In years past various groups have joined together to sing. One such group was a Men's Chorus originally composed of James Ira Avett, Carl Boysworth, J. H. Boysworth, Charles M. Crowell, D. E. Lefler, Earl Lefler, S. V. Ross, and C. J. Scott. Later, at various times, James I. Avett, Jr., J. T. Britt, Francis B. Dunlap, J. C. Guffy, and George W. Heafner joined the group.

Numerous and varied musical programs have been given by children, youth, and adults of the church, as well as by different groups from other churches.

Hymnals have been bought and given as honor and memorial gifts to the church, the latest being the new red back (1966 edition) Methodist Hymnals. Still liked and enjoyed frequently is the Cokesbury Hymnal.

Over the years there have been changes in the choir dress, from the white vestments with black ties to the present day green robes with white stoles.

When Mrs. J. P. Lowder retired as organist, Sunday, September 16, 1973, was declared "Miss Polly Appreciation Day". Following the morning worship service a covered dish luncheon in the Hut was enjoyed by her family, special guests, and members of the congregation. Music was provided by Mrs. Frank (Doris Lefler) West, violin; James West, cello; Mrs. John (Helen Lefler) Garner, organ; and Mrs. Johnny (Mary Sue Shankle) Hopkins, piano. Tangible evidence of the love and appreciation of friends for Miss Polly and her many years of service as organist was evidenced by the sizeable contribution made in her honor to a fund for the future purchase of a new organ.

The choir members have always given their services voluntarily to enhance the worship program of the church through music, and many dedicated members have contributed years in this service. Scores of young people also have contributed to the musical program of the church. Many have sung in the choir and others have served as assistant pianists and/or organists. The church has been fortunate to have many members, young and old, talented in music, who have been willing to give freely of their time and talent.

THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED OUR COUNTRY

WORLD WAR I VETERANS

*Hathcock, Thomas A., Dr.
*Lefler, Earl L.
*Lentz, William
*Lowder, Edgar R.
*Lowder, James Paul, Sr.
Mabry, James T.
*Mabry, Otto B.
*Skidmore, Lloyd
*Vick, Angus L.
*Vick, Grady
*Whitlock, William

VETERANS WHO HAVE SERVED SINCE 1941

Arbo, Joe
Austin, Robert
Baldwin, Henry W.
Ballard, Leland
*Barbee, Gurney, Sr.
Barringer, Thomas S.
Bowers, Danny
Brower, Jack
Bunn, C. Earl
Bunn, James L.
Carpenter, Robert
Carpenter, Robert, Jr.
Clayton, C. J.
Collins, J. Earl
Colson, Charles
Colson, Jimmy
Colson, John Howell
Colson, Jonas J.
Colson, J. Walter
Cormack, Donald
Cranford, Johnny
Cranford, Tommy
Crowell, Joe
Duke, Larry
Duke, Lowell
Duke, Wayne
Eddins, J. T.
Farmer, Benton
Farmer, Lee B.
Foreman, Verna Duke
Freeman, Alan
Freeman, George R., Jr.
Harris, Edgar M., Jr.
Harris, William H., Jr.
Heafner, George W.
*Ingram, Braxton
Ingram, Thomas
Isenhour, Robert L.
Ivey, Gene
Ivey, George
Ivey, James
Kendall, Jane Duke
Koontz, C. Edward
Lanier, Benjamin W.
Lanier, Carl L.
Lanier, Robert W.
Lee, Robert D.
Lee, Troy H.
Lentz, Malcolm
Lisenby, Harold
Lisenby, Terry
Lefler, Daniel Phillip
Lefler, Samuel Steven
Lowder, Carlie J.
Lowder, James
*Lowder, J. Paul, Jr.
Lowder, Robert E.
Lowry, John A.
Lovelady, Glenn
Lovelady, Merrill
Mabry, William K.
Maner, Danny
Norwood, Uriah S.
*Norwood, William Thomas
Parker, Fred
Parker, Harold
Pinion, Stanley
Reid, Jack D.
*Scott, Robert F.
*Scott, W. Jackson
Shankle, Wallace
Shiplett, Wallace
Skidmore, Carl
Skidmore, Tommy
Skinner, J. B.
*Smith, Herman F.
Snuggs, Needham
Snuggs, N. L., Jr.
Snuggs, Wallace
*Stogner, B. J.
Story, William
Story, W. T., Jr.
Talbert, Earl
Talbert, James C.
Talbert, Ted
Trail, Julian S.
Upchurch, Byron N.
Upchurch, John
Upchurch, Lewis W.
Upchurch, Lewis W., Jr.
Upchurch, W. Thomas
*Vick, Edward J.
Vick, Harold R.
Vick, Ralph
Vick, Robert L.
*Varner, Claude B.
Watson, Agnes Upchurch
*Watson, Gordon
Wright, James
Young, K. Leslie, Jr.
Young, Robert E., Sr.
Young, Robert E., Jr.

* Deceased

GLEANINGS

The following odds and ends, which may be of interest, have been gleaned from various sources.

1892: Norwood Circuit consisted of 5 churches: Norwood, Randall, Mt. Zion, Rehobeth, Cedar Grove.
Members - 498; Adults baptized - 46; Infants baptized - 15; Additions by Certificate - 22; Additions by Profession - 80; Collections: Foreign Missions - $116.48, Domestic Missions - $69.06, Conference Claimants - $43.14, Bishop's Fund - $12.28, Sunday School Expenses - $87.70, Education - $34.50, Church Extension - $26.07, Other Objects - $150.00, Salary of P. C. (Preacher in Charge)- $650.00 Salary of P. E. (Presiding Elder) - $90.

Class Leaders: Eli Lentz and J. W. Bunn (Norwood)

1894: Zoar Church was added to the Norwood Circuit.

1896: Norwood Methodist Sunday School (from Sunday School Record Book)

RECORD FOR SUNDAY, April 19, 1896
RELIGIOUS SERVICES CONDUCTED BY Superintendent
OPENING SONG No 141 Living Song
OFFICERS AND TEACHERS PRESENT 11; ABSENT 2
SCHOLARS PRESENT 83; ABSENT 23
SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 15: 11 - 24
SUBJECT OF LESSON The lost found
SCHOOL ADDRESSED 10 MINUTES BY T. C. Ingram, Supt.
COLLECTION 65¢ WEATHER fair and hot
SCHOOL CLOSED BY singing 179 Triumphant Song
REMARKS (None)

REMARKS - "The Evangelist Leach together with Marshall the singer began a 10 day meeting today." (March 1, 1896)

1897: Norwood Methodist Sunday School. Roll of Officers and Teachers: Prof. R. L. Smith, Supt., W. C. Kendall, Sect., Teachers - Dr. J. A. Tyson, Geo. T. Dunlap, Dr. V. A. Whitley, T. C. Ingram, Thos. F. Colson, Mrs. Anna Tyson, Miss Sue Overby, Mrs. M. L. Cochran, Mrs. T. C. Ingram, Miss Leola Atkins, Mrs. Ellen Wall.

REMARKS: "Miss Payn Dumas as organist" (June 13, 1897)

"Miss Lesca Freeman of Albemarle, Miss Annie Gaddy of Cedar Hill, Mrs. Nash and daughter Miss Tab of Palmerville visitors." (Aug. 15, 1897)

"School convened at 3 P. M. on account of burial of F. H. Lilly's baby this morning." (Dec. 5, 1897)

"There are seven Sunday Schools in the Charge (Norwood, Randall, Mt. Zion, Rehobeth, Cedar Grove, Fork Academy, Zoar) which run a part of the year but there are only three which have been regularly operated this winter. Those schools which are now running seem to be well organized and well conducted and are no doubt doing good work. We

hope the time will soon come when our people will become so much interested in this important work that they will not even consider the idea of suspending for winter." J. A. Clarke, P. C. (Preacher in Charge)

1898: "Six Sunday Schools are still running. We have had some schools in operation till a week or two ago when one suspended on account of no provisions for fire." J. A. Clarke, P. C.

1902: Norwood Station - Churches: Norwood, Randall, (S.S. at Fork Academy)

"Children's Day at Fork Academy

"One young man from the charge has been attending Trinity College."

1903: "We have a good Academic School in our town that is fairly well patronized by our people and some Students from abroad. Prof. J. W. Sherrill, who is a member of this Church is the principal." J. O. Shelley, P. C. (July 29)

1904: "We also have a splendid (academic) school of high grade at our Fork Academy under the efficient management of Lawrence Blalock." G. G. Harley, P. C. (July 25)

1908: Stewards for Norwood: M. E. Blalock, J. M. Lilly, C. R. Bolick, J. F. Shinn, W. C. Kendall, R. W. Lanier, T. A. Hathcock, Hugh Turner
Trustees for Norwood: Geo. T. Dunlap, A. F. Mabry, G. D. Blalock, John W. Lisk, B. F. Ivey, Jas. W. Smith, T. C. Ingram, C. A. Lentz, V. L. Shankle

1909:

	Officers	Scholars
Fork	9	135
Norwood	17	200
Randall	9	100
	35	435

"There are three Sunday Schools on the work with an average attendance of about 300...The School at Norwood is worthy of special mention on account of the interest shown and class of work being done..." J. E. Gay, P. C. (April 5)

1913: "The following resolution was passed by the Quarterly Conference in behalf of Bro. A. F. Mabry.
Whereas a most useful and devoted member of our Board of Stewards Bro. A. F. Mabry has suffered a painful accident. Be it therefore resolved, that we extend to Bro. Mabry our Prayful sympathies and the hope that he may soon be able to resume his place with us."
Board of Stewards (Jan. 13)

1914: "The protracted meeting lasted ten days, and resulted a quickening of the interest of the congregation in regular service of the church but there was no revival in the popular sense." R. M. Taylor, P. C. (Oct. 25)

"The matter of watch night services discussed and suggested that memoirs be read to our deceased members who have died the past year." R. M. Taylor, P. C. (Dec. 27)

"Weather conditions have militated somewhat against our church work this winter." R. M. Taylor, P. C. (Feb. 28)

1915: New Class Leaders: A. F. Mabry, M. T. Blalock

"As is evident from observation we have not yet repaired the church, but hope soon to see the good work begun and carried to successful completion." R. M. Taylor, P. C. (March 28)

"Bro. Taylor read a paper outlining the proposed reorganization of the Sunday School to meet new conditions brought about by new church building.

"The motion of securing Bishop Adkins to preach the opening sermon of the new church was upon motion left with the pastor." (Feb. 27)

1917: "The removal of Dr. Hathcock as Superintendent at Norwood on account of his going to war was regretted. But we have an excellent substitute in J. F. Shinn..." (Oct. 1)

1921: July 2 - "Weinstein Hathcock, James H. Shinn, Carl Mabry, James Heilig, Ben F. Kendall, and Miss Blanche Barringer attended school at Trinity (Duke) College last year. Miss Mary Agnes Hathcock was at Greensboro College, Miss Albertine Lentz was at Davenport College, Miss Clara Dunlap was at Carolina College at Maxton, N. C. Franklin Shinn and Thomas Shinn were at Rutherford College, Miss Evelyn Harris was at Stetson University, Deland, Florida. Miss Catherine Lisk was at Flora McDonald at Red Springs. J. Hugh Norwood, Joe M. Lilly, and J. B. Mabry were at A & E (N.C.S.U.) at West Raleigh. James C. Norwood and Carl Skidmore were at Oak Ridge in Guilford County. Miss Lucy Shankle was at the State College for Women at Greensboro (U.N.C.G.), and Aneta Dunlap was at Salem College in Winston Salem, N. C.

"Nine of the ten graduates of the Norwood High School are members of our Church." Ira Erwin, P. C.

1922: Norwood Station - 1 church, 1 full-time pastor

1923: Fork Sunday School: On Roll - 120; Average attendance - 73; Average collection - $1.20

1924: "Plans for the remodeling of the parsonage are being worked out. The Board of Church Extension has been asked to furnish us a plan. We hope to hear from this Board within the next few days." F. O. Dryman, P. C. (June 28)

"The Junior Board of Stewards got out the initial number of our Church Bulletin last week. This Board hopes to make the Bulletin a source of much information that otherwise our people could not very conveniently get." F. O. Dryman, P. C. (Dec. 28)

1925: "Our School has taken the responsibility of clothing three children for the year at the Children's Home. These three children were taken from Norwood to the Children's Home early in the year." F. O. Dryman (March 22)

"Certain improvements have been made on the Parsonage property for which the Pastor and his wife are very grateful." F. O. Dryman (Mar. 22)

Sept. 12, 1925 Excerpts from Statistical Report of the Fourth Quarterly Conference.

Members reported last year - 425; Additions on profession of faith - 20; Additions by certificate, etc. - 20; Removals by death, certificate - 15; Present membership - 450; Adults baptized - 9; Infants baptized - 18; Church buildings - 1; Value - $20,000; Parsonages - 1; Value - $4500; Adult Missionary Societies - 3; Number of members - 108; Senior Epworth Leagues - 2; Members - 60; Number of Sunday Schools - 2; Officers and teachers - 34; Cradle Roll - 50; Home Department - 25; No. in all other departments - 526; Enrollment in all departments - 635; Average weekly attendance - 323; P. E., Paid - $164; P. C., Paid - $1800.

1928: The Third Quarterly Conference of the Norwood M E Church South elected the following committee to erect a parsonage: J. H. Norwood, A. F. Mabry, T. A. Hathcock, Ed M. Harris and H. S. Freeman. P. L. Shore, P. C. (July 29)

The following information (1930-1936) is taken from the minutes of the Board of Stewards.

1930: Of the 500 members 243 made some payment during the year on the budget. W. C. Vick, Treas. (Dec. 31)

1934: November 16
Mr. Freeman asked that Board of Stewards buy new chairs for the choir. H. S. Freeman and D. E. Lefler were asked to find cost of same and report at next meeting.

New Heater for Parsonage was discussed. Mr. Shinn suggested that the Board contribute to a fund to buy same. $12 was put on table by Board members...

November 23
Mr. E. M. Harris reported heater installed in Parsonage.

Light bill for November - 80¢

December 11
Mr. D. E. Lefler reported that committee had two sample chairs to select for choir. On motion the committee was instructed to buy 24 chairs. (These chairs were replaced with pews in 1971.)

Committee on music asked for $7.00 for music and piano tuning.

The need of song books was discussed by board and secretary was instructed to buy 50 new Cokesbury Hymnals.

1935: January 11
Mr. Ratledge reported that he wrote Bro. Woosly about bringing children here (for a musical program) at some later date. Bro. Woosly seems to think it too soon to come back having been here about a year ago.

February 18
Bro. Ratledge reported the garage leaking.

On motion of Mr. Shinn the Board of Stewards voted to buy (a new) pulpit Bible for the Church.

May 20
Members paid $7.00 on Bible for Pulpit.

June 17
Collection for quarter - $124.00. Borrowed $50.00 to pay pastor's salary for May.

$5.00 still due on Bible.

July 29
Secretary instructed to sell old Bell for what he could get for same.

1935: August 19
Garage reported leaking at parsonage, church to have same repaired.

Light bill $1.71

October 11
Board members and their wives had a chicken stew at the schoolhouse in the home ec. room.

October 21
New officers: J. V. Barringer, chm. of board; F. H. Shinn, vice chm.; W. C. Vick, sec. & treas.; D. E. Lefler, choir leader; J. H. Norwood, handshaker; W. H. Harris, head usher & ventilation man

1936: January 14
Board to ask Catawba College to give program some Sunday night

...meeting adjourned. Mr. Barringer carried board to Drug Store for refreshments.

February 17
Board members to visit families not attending church and report to Pastor.

March 24
Mr. Barringer asked the board about giving the new Church in town the organ in room #11. After discussion the board voted to give same to this body.

June 15
Some comments were made on Mr. Link's activity among the young people of our church in training them to sing. On motion it was ordered that the secretary write Mr. Link and express the board's appreciation for his services.

September 21
W. H. Harris instructed to have locks put on Church doors, and Church to be kept locked.

October 20
After checking up we found we could pay out if the Sunday School would pay $37.00 on coal bought for the winter.

Mr. J. C. Mabry offered to furnish chickens for stew for board & wives.

1940: "We have just closed one of the best vacation Bible schools it has been the privilege of this pastor to work in. Seventy-five children from four to fifteen participated. We had an efficient, loyal group of teachers. The children on Sunday morning gave an interesting program for the entire Church. Then a display of the handicraft and woodwork was enjoyed by the parents." Cecil G. Hefner, Pastor

"We have a Junior-Intermediate choir which sings in the evening services. This choir is to be vested in the early fall." Cecil G. Hefner, Pastor

1941: November - Board of Stewards to investigate securing a Bulletin.

December - Decided to have Bulletins each Sunday.

1942: Jan. - Board of Stewards decided the church could be used for any defense work needed.

Feb. - Kermit Young to make board on which to place names of those in service.

June - New offering plates presented to the church in honor of Dr. T. A. Hathcock, (Sunday School Superintendent, Emeritus) by the Rev. & Mrs. R. C. Stubbins.

August - Dr. T. A. Hathcock spoke to the board on what this church has meant to Norwood in the past, present, and what it will mean in the future.

1943: April - Responsive reading to be used in the worship service.

June - Letter of respect in memory of Dr. T. A. Hathcock who died on June 16.

1944: October - The following men confirmed as a building committee to investigate and supervise the construction of a Hut or building in connection with the church: D. E. Lefler, J. V. Barringer, J. M. Shinn, Kermit L. Young, J. H. Norwood.

1945: Total church budget - approximately $4500.

1946: Committee appointed to clean out and file old records.

Mimeograph purchased for church office.

August - Work to start on Hut in next few days.

1948: At the time of the first quarterly conference the enrollment of the Church School was 249. It is now 307...

"In the vacation Bible School during the week of June 13-20, 127 children were enrolled. Most of these were given certificates for perfect attendance." R. W. Jenkins, Pastor

July - Total cost of Hut - approximately $7000.

1949: March - Board of Stewards passed a resolution to raise $15,000 to build a new parsonage and renovate the church.

June - James Avett and Herbert T. Garmon (Pastor) were given permission by the board to dispose of the old communion set by giving it to some church in need of one.

December - The traditional Christmas Tree program was changed to a White Christmas.

1950: March - Discussion arose concerning need for another place of meeting for the ladies class presently using the pastor's study.

May - "There was a general discussion on the need of additional room for Sunday School classes. A motion was made by Mr. O. B. Mabry to refer the idea to the Board of Education for a recommendation if more room was needed. The motion was seconded by Mr. J. C. Guffy and carried by the Board."

The Board of Stewards voted to continue the Building Fund for another year.

1951: August 20 - Report to the Quarterly Conference by H. D. Garmon, Pastor "...Organization of 1 new Sunday School Class for Younger Adults..." (This class became known as the "Herb Garmon Class".)

"The purchase of a Motion Picture Projector for Visual Education.

"The Laymen of the Church have continued the drive for funds for the construction of a new parsonage..."

1952: Paid to Contractors for building New Methodist Parsonage - $19,000.

May 4 - The Methodist Men's Club was organized with R. E. Young as president.

August 26 - The Methodist Men had their charter night this quarter and set up committees and have started to work on three project.

1. Putting the Church paper in each home
2. Securing Religious pictures for Hut
3. Arranging Parking Area"

J. L. Lee, Charge Lay Leader

September - "O. B. Mabry, Chairman of Welcoming and Ushering has done an excellent job with his group." H. D. Garmon, Pastor

1955: February 28 - A building committee was appointed to work out and supervise the building of an addition to the educational building: J. C. Guffy, Chm.; Robert E. Lowder, Sec.; T. Herbert Lee, L. E. Dry, Austin Reid.

June 20 - Austin Reid, Church School Superintendent, gave an attendance report for the first half of the year. "The average for April was 261, for May 222, for June 233. For the first half of last year the average was 213, and for the first half of this year it was 238."

1956: November 25 - The First Anniversary - Homecoming - Revival was celebrated. The Reverend Paul W. Townsend, District Superintendent, delivered the message for the morning service. E. O. Peeler, Pastor

Mr. R. E. Young thanked Mr. W. C. Vick "for his 30 years of very faithful service to the church as treasurer. A rising vote was given to Mr. Vick."

1957: October 6 - The Second Annual Homecoming was celebrated. The Reverend C. W. Avett, Pastor of Shiloh Methodist Church of Lexington, N. C. gave the morning message. E. O. Peeler, Pastor

1965: December - The Bell Choir from Central Methodist Church (Albemarle) gave a musical program.

1970: April - Dr. and Mrs. Julian S. Trail, members of a medical team from the Western North Carolina Conference, contributed their services in Bolivia for three weeks.

1973: A church newsletter, The United Methodist Highlights, was originated and is being sent to church members and friends of the church.

July 22 - Certificates of recognition for faithful service to The First United Methodist Church, as Honorary Members of the Administrative Board, were presented by Jack Kayler, Minister, to: Mrs. W. H. Harris (in absentia), Mrs. D. E. Lefler, Mrs. Earl Lefler, Mrs. Ira Lefler (in absentia), Miss Fannie Lisenby, Mrs. O. B. Mabry, Mrs. M. E. Shankle (posthumously), J. T. Britt (in absentia), J. T. Mabry, O. B. Mabry, C. S. Russell, and W. C. Vick.

1974: October - Miss Johnsie Lee was honored for her 25 years of service as treasurer of the Women's Society of Christian Service.

1975: May - James I. Avett, Jr. was a member of the building team that helped rebuild Ranger Methodist Church (destroyed by a tornado), Murphy, N. C.

October - Mr. and Mrs. James I. Avett, Jr. attended the first service held in the new Ranger Methodist Church, Murphy, N. C.

NORWOOD METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH

For The Year 1906

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Presiding Elder . . . . . .D. Atkins
Pastor. . . . . .Alfred L. Stanford

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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Dr. T. A. Hathcock, Asst. Supt.
Miss Ula Ivey, Organist
W. H. Harris, Secretary

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Eli Lentz
M. E. Blalock
W. C. Kendall
Dr. J. M. Lilly
R. W. Lanier
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Dr. T. A. Hathcock
J. F. Shinn
Hugh Turner

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Avitt, Jas. M.
Avitt, Robt. L.
Avitt, Melvina
Atkins, Cornelia
Atkins, Leola
Atkins, Roberta
Atkins, Arthur
Blalock, M. E.
Blalock, Estelle C.
Blalock, Carl
Blalock, U. B.
Blalock, G. D.
Blalock, Anna Pearl
Biggers, Eugenia
Bennett, Margaret
Byrd, Mary E.
Britt, Jno. E.
Barringer, J. V.
Barringer, F. B.
Baldwin, Nathan
Bolick Chas. R.
Bolick, Ira
Colson, Jones
Colson, Tempie J.
Colson, Anna E.
Colson, Sallie
Crawford, Sarah
Cutchins, Joseph
Cutchins, S.
Cutchins, Edna
Cutchins, Sarah E.
Cutchins, Fannie G.
Cutchins, Etta
Caudle, J. T.
Crumley, Corbit
Dunlap, Geo. T.
Dunlap, Anna E.
Dunlap, Alonzo T. (Atlanta, Ga.)
Dunlap, J. J. (Washington, D. C.)
Dunlap, B. I.
Dunlap, Henry
Dunlap, Emma
Dunlap, Verna May
Davis, J. J. (Crump Mills, N. C.)
Davis, Lottie(Crump Mills, N. C.)
Eddings, J. R.
Eddings, Eliza
Farmer, Baxter
Freeman, Henry S.
Hathcock, Dr. T. A.
Hathcock, Estelle
Hawkins, Lucy Ann
Hawkins, Jas. A.
Hutchinson, Mrs. A. J.
Harris, Mrs. A. P.
Haire, Eugenia (Wadesboro)
Haire, Mamie (Wadesboro)
Ivey, B. F.
Ivey, Edith R.
Ivey, Bessie
Ivey, Eula
Ivey, John
Ivey, Lonnie
Ingram, T. C.
Ingram, M. A.
Ingram, Ruth (Mt. Gilead)
Kendall, M. H.
Kendall, Mamie
Kendall, Oscar
Kendall, Minnie
Kendall, Pattie
Kendall, Robt.
Kendall, Daisy
Kendall, Chas. W.
Kendall, W. C.
Kendall, M. E.
Kendall, Wincy L.
Keever, Lizzie A.
Lentz, Eli
Lentz, C. A.
Lentz, Mary
Lentz, L. A.
Lentz, Eugenia
Lentz, Bettie
Lentz, Mattie
Lentz, Julia
Lentz, Beulah
Lentz, Devare
Lentz, L. A., Jr.
Lentz, Ollie
Lentz, Mamie
Lentz, A. M. D.
Lentz, Lena
Lentz, S. J.
Lentz, Alice E.
Lentz, Mary Hill
Lentz, Vida
Lanier, E. J.
Lanier, Eunice
Lanier, R. W.
Lanier, Lucy
Lanier, Lillie
Lanier, Jessie
Lee, Francis
Lee, Rosa
Lee, Jonsie May
Lisk, J. W.
Lisk, Clyde

MEMBERS OF NORWOOD CHURCH - 1906 (Cont'd)

Lisk, Earle
Lilly, Dr. J. M.
Lilly, Agnes
Lilly, Sallie
Lilly, William
Lilly, Eva
Lilly, Jennie
Lilly, Bessie
Lilly, E. O.
Lilly, Mrs. T. C.
Lilly, Ella
Lizenby, Peter
Lizenby, Etta
Lizenby, Jasper
Lizenby, Fannie
Lizenby, Thos. H.
Lefler, Mrs. A. L.
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OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL

NORWOOD METHODIST CHURCH BULLETIN - 1924

There is nothing in any community that reflects the moral and spiritual life of a people quite so much as the Church and Sunday school. Judging from these standards, Norwood is at least equal to the average community. We believe in Norwood and in Norwood's people. Here are our homes, and these are our people. Never has our Sunday school been more co-operative, and the work our teachers are doing makes us glad. Still, we are conscious that many improvements can be made in both the administrative and instructive departments of our school. We want to make this year the best in our history. If each officer and teacher can more fully realize the responsibilities resting upon us; if all our parents share in these responsibilities - the year's success will have been assured. It should be the aim of every father and mother to bring their children to Sunday school every Sunday for religious instruction. Our teachers are doing hard, conscientious work. Many of these teachers have had an opportunity to better fit themselves for their task. Some are studying religious pedagogy and child psychology. They are not only spending time, and time is the most precious thing any of us have; but they are actually spending money to prepare themselves to teach your children. Let us not forget that all this work is gratis. Our whole Sunday school organization is on the volunteer basis. Not only do your officers and teachers volunteer for this work, but you come to Sunday school and Church on the same basis. Be a volunteer for Christ in earnest this year.

Christmas is here again. This is the season of the year, the time of all times, to remember the little brother and sister of the Christ Child, especially those who would be hungry and even homeless without our gift of love. Let us remember the needy this year. The Sunday school extends to every child in our community the greetings and good will of the season. The Sunday school will have a real Christmas tree at the Church. We are expecting all our little friends to come and enjoy this Christmas occasion.

In the moving away of brother J. A. Lilly and family, our Sunday school has lost two loyal, conscientious workers. Mrs. Lilly was one of our most conscientious teachers; and Mr. Lilly had been our general secretary for thirteen years, missing only four Sundays in all that time. Three of these were providential, and the other was taken for pleasure of a legitimate sort. We wonder if there is a better record anywhere. The Central Methodist Sunday school in Albemarle has, in the Lillys, good enthusiastic church workers. You Centralites take care of these folks; we have just loaned them to you for a while.

Our college boys and girls and the teachers will be coming home for the Christmas holidays. We welcome you one and all, for it is a source of much pleasure to have you with us again.

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Dunlap, Anita
Dunlap, Mrs. Fannie
Dunlap, Francis
Dunlap, Julian
Dunlap, Olin
Dry, V. R.
Dry, Mrs. V. R.

Eddings, John S.
Eddings, Thomas
Eury, Mrs. Hugh

Farmer, C. B.
Farmer, Benton
Freeman, Mrs. G. R.
Freeman, George, Jr.
Freeman, Mary Blanche
Freeman, Beatrice
Furr, Mrs. W. C.

Green, George
Green, Mrs. George
Green, Ione
Green, Nash

Hathcock, Dr. T. A.
Hathcock, Mrs. T. A.
Hathcock, J. W.
Hathcock, Fannie
Hathcock, Sarah
Hathcock, Dr. T. A., Jr.
Hathcock, Mrs. J. E.
Hathcock, Mrs. Elizabeth
Hathcock, R. L.
Hathcock, Mrs. R. L.
Hathcock, C. J.
Hathcock, Randall
Hathcock, Margaret
Harris Ed M.
Harris, Mrs. Ed M.
Harris, Ed M., Jr.
Harris, Mrs. W. H.
Harris, Adelaide
Harris, W. H., Jr.
Harris, Nancy Baldwin
Harris, Mrs. Milton
Hatley, Mrs. Charley
Hasty, Charley
Hayward, Margaret
Hearne, Mrs. Sallie
Heilig, Mrs. Annie
Heilig, James
Heilig, Sarah Belle
Hill, Mrs. Elizabeth
Honey, James
Honey, Mrs. James
Honey, Mary
Honey, Martha

MEMBERS OF NORWOOD METHODIST CHURCH - 1936 (Cont'd)

Honeycutt, Mrs. Rosa
Honeycutt, Martin
Honeycutt, Hettie
Honeycutt, Mrs. Fannie
Honeycutt, Annie
Honeycutt, Alexander T.
Honeycutt, Robert M.
Honeycutt, Ruth
Honeycutt, Clegg
Honeycutt, Frances
Honeycutt, W. C.
Holton, W. R.
Holton, Mrs. W. R.
Howell, Mrs. Ray
Hudson, Clara Mae

Ingram, Mrs. T. C.
Ingram, Thomas
Ingram, Frances
Ingram, Braxton
Ingram, Mrs. States
Ivey, Mrs. Lela
Ivey, Edith
Ivey, G. W.
Ivey, Mrs. G. W.

Kimrey, Mrs. Charlie

Lanier, R. W.
Lanier, Mrs. Jessie
Lanier, Robert
Lanier, Bradley
Lanier, Eugenia
Lanier, B. W.
Lamb, S. G., Jr.
Lamb, James
Lamb, Mary
Lamb, Sarah
Lee, Mrs. John
Lee, J. L.
Lee, Mrs. J. L.
Lee, Joseph D.
Lefler, D. E.
Lefler, Mrs. D. E.
Lefler, Joyce
Lefler, Albertine
Lefler, E. L.
Lefler, Mrs. E. L.
Lefler, Helen
Lefler, Ira
Lefler, Mrs. Ira
Lefler, Phillip
Lefler, Sam
Lefler, R. B.
Lefler, Mrs. R. B.

Lefler, John
Lefler, Junior
Lefler, Virginia
Lefler, Pearle
Lefler, Ben
Lefler, Mrs. Ben
Lentz, S. J.
Lentz, Mrs. S. J.
Lentz, Clara
Lentz, Albertine
Lentz, H. J.
Lentz, Mrs. A. M.
Lentz, Malcolm
Leonard, Mrs. Minnie
Leonard, Edith
Leonard, Naoma
Lisk, Mrs. J. W.
Lisk, Mrs. Rufus
Lisenby, Mrs. Etta
Lisenby, Miss Fannie
Lisenby, W. O.
Lisenby, Mrs. W. O.
Lisenby, Verna Mae
Lisenby, Jasper
Lisenby, James Henry
Lisenby, Grady
Lisenby, Tom
Lisenby, Mrs. Wincey
Lord, Mrs. Lucille
Lowder, Mrs. I. V.
Lowder, Paris
Lowder, Harold
Lowder, M. V.
Lowder, Mrs. M. V.
Lowder, Mary Evelyn
Lowder, Hilda Gay
Lowder, J. P.
Lowder, Mrs. J. P.
Lowder, Paul, Jr.
Lowder, Margaret
Lowder, Robert
Lowder, Helen
Lowder, Louise
Lowder, Annie
Lowder, James F.
Luther, Mrs. Barney

Mabry, Mrs. Mary Jane
Mabry, J. T.
Mabry, Pauline
Mabry, Shelly
Mabry, Mrs. Shelly
Mabry, J. C.
Mabry, Mrs. J. C.
Mabry, O. B.

Mabry, Mrs. O. B.
Mabry, Lula Patterson
Mabry, Mrs. Merritt
Mabry, Mrs. Ione
Mabry, Mrs. Annette
Mabry, Baxter
Mabry, Mrs. Baxter
Mabry, Mrs. Sallie
Mabry, C. S.
Mabry, Mrs. C. S.
Manor, R. A.
Manor, Mrs. R. A.
Manor, Juanita
Manor, Bertha
Manor, James
Mast, Charlie
Maulden, D. R.
Maulden, Mrs. D. P.
Maulden, Harris
Maulden, Mrs. Harris
Maulden, Carl
Melton, Ira W.
Melton, Fay T.
Melton, James
Melton, Leland
Morgan, Mrs. Leslie
Morgan, Mrs. Oscar
Morgan, Maggie
Morgan, Margaret
Maynard, Mrs. Lelia

McIntyre, Mrs. Freida
McIntyre, Irene Robert
McIntyre, Mrs. Tom
McKenzie, Mrs. Ethel
McKenzie, Robert
McKenzie, Dr. W. N.
McSwain, R. G.
McSwain, Mrs. R. G.
McSwain, Hampton
McSwain, Alonzo
McSwain, Gibbs
McSwain, Minnie
McSwain, Sallie
McSwain, Lucile
McSwain, Edith
McManus, Oscar

Nichols, Mrs. Fannie
Norwood, J. H.
Norwood, Mrs. J. H.
Norwood, Ruth
Norwood, William
Norwood, Uriah
Overton, Mrs. John

MEMBERS OF NORWOOD METHODIST CHURCH - 1936 (Cont'd)

Palmer, Mrs. Fannie
Parker, Margaret
Parker, Thomas
Parker, William
Parker, Velma
Parker, Ruth
Parker, Harold
Parker, Fred
Parnell, Eli
Parnell, Mrs. Eli
Parnell, Mrs. Glenn
Pickler, Mrs. Madge
Pinion, Mrs. T. R.
Pittman, Mrs. W. E.
Poplin, Eugenia
Poplin, Mary Ella
Poplin, Mrs. John
Polk, Beatrice
Polk, Ruby
Pressley, Mrs. Valderie
Price, Mrs. Clara
Ratledge, Mrs. A. P.
Ross, S. V.
Ross, Mrs. S. V.
Ross, W. D.
Ross, Mrs. W. D.
Ross, Leonard
Ross, G. M.
Ross, Mrs. G. M.
Ross, Lee
Ross, Frank
Russell, Mrs. Daisy
Russell, M. H.
Russell, Louise
Russell, Marie
Russell, Mrs. Carrie
Salyer, Mrs. T. T.
Scott, C. J.
Scott, Mrs. C. J.
Scott, W. J.
Scott, Edith
Scott, Robert
Shankle, G. W.
Shankle, Mrs. G. W.
Shankle, Lucy
Shankle, Vance
Shankle, Albert
Shankle, Miss Minnie
Shankle, Elizabeth
Shankle, Franklin
Shankle, C. P.
Shankle, Mrs. C. P.
Shankle, Eli
Shankle, Lucille
Shinn, J. F.
Shinn, Mrs. J. F.
Shinn, James F.
Shinn, Thomas
Shinn, Annette
Shinn, F. H.
Shinn, Mrs. F. H.
Shinn, John M.
Shinn, Mrs. John M.
Skidmore, D. J.
Skidmore, Mrs. D. J.
Skidmore, Carl
Skidmore, Claude
Skidmore, F. A.
Skidmore, Raymond
Skidmore, Mrs. Raymond
Skidmore, Roy
Skidmore, Mrs. Roy
Skidmore, Ruth
Slack, Enoch
Slack, Mrs. Annie
Slack, Sarah
Slack, Jake
Slack, Margaret
Slack, Annie Lee
Smith, Ruby
Smith, Henry
Smith, Miss Vennie
Snuggs, N. L.
Snuggs, Mrs. N. L.
Snuggs, Sam J.
Snuggs, Ora Mae
Snuggs, N. L., Jr.
Snuggs, Emma
Stamper, Sallie E.
Stagner, Mrs. Elma
Stevens, Mrs. Ruth
Stevens, Jane
Story, G. L.
Story, Mrs. G. L.
Story, Sallie
Story, Clyde
Story, Mrs. Clyde
Story, W. T.
Story, Mrs. W. T.
Story, J. C.
Story, Mrs. J. C.
Story, Cecil
Story, Mrs. Cecil
Story, Dorothy Ray
Story, John G.
Story, Mrs. John G.
Story, Randall
Story, Mary Lillian
Story, Lacy
Strader, Mrs. Caroline
Surratt, Jasper
Surratt, Mrs. A. L.
Surratt, Mary
Surratt, Raymond
Swaringen, Mrs. Hubert
Swaringen, Charles
Swaringen, Nannie
Talbert, Mrs. Beulah
Thompson, W. A.
Thompson, Mrs. W. A.
Thompson, Paul
Thompson, Jesse
Thompson, Mary Belle
Thompson, J. W.
Thompson, Bessie
Thompson, Julia
Thompson, R. C.
Thompson, Mrs. R. C.
Thompson, Glennie
Thompson, Mary Lee
Thompson, Stella Irene
Thompson, Charlie
Thompson, Craig
Thompson, Elgie
Thompson, Lillian
Thompson, Mrs. Leola
Thompson, Goldie
Tyson, C. B.
Tyson, D. N.
Tyson, Mrs. D. N.
Tyson, Mrs. Ethel M.
Upchurch, Mrs. Lottie
Upchurch, Katie
Upchurch, Alfred
Upchurch, Thomas
Upchurch, Emma
Upchurch, Agnes
Upchurch, John
Upchurch, Lewis
Vick, Mrs. Mollie
Vick, E. J.
Vick, Lee
Vick, Mrs. Lee
Vick, W. C.
Vick, Robert
Vick, Harold
Watson, G. J.
Watson, Mrs. G. J.
Watson, Zona
Watson, Hazel
Watson, Lois
Watson, Sadie
Watson, Gordon
Waters, Mrs. Hallie
Whitlock, Mrs. Ida
Wilson, Lee A.
Wilhoit, Fred
Wilhoit, Mrs. Fred
Williams, Sam

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - NORWOOD
1975 CHURCH DIRECTORY

Chairperson, Administrative Board	Dr. L. Eugene Morton
Church Lay Leader	James M. (Jimmy) Colson
Lay Member of Annual Conference	K. L. (Les) Young, Jr.
Reserve Lay Member of Annual Conference	William Hager
Chairperson, Council on Ministries	K. L. (Les) Young, Jr.
Work Area Chairpersons	
Ecumenical Affairs	Miss Louise Avett
Education	Mrs. Robert R. Austin
Evangelism	Bobby J. Mauldin
Mission	Mrs. Henry H. (Dan) Diggs
Church and Society	H. J. (Joe) Lentz, Jr.
Stewardship	Miss Betty Shankle
Worship	Mrs. R. S. Sims
Age Level Coordinators	
Children Ministries	
Youth Ministries	Gurney A. Barbee, Jr.
Adult Ministries	Dr. L. Eugene Morton
Family Ministries	Mrs. Gurney A. Barbee
Recording Secretary, Administrative Board	Mrs. John T. Eddins
Chairperson, United Methodist Builders Club	Mrs. G. W. Ivey
Representative, District Mission Society	Mrs. Graham Maner
Superintendent of the Study Program	Needham Snuggs
Church Treasurer	Miss Venice Lovelady
Assistant Church Treasurer	Mrs. James W. Talent, Jr.
Building Fund Treasurer	J. L. Lee
Financial Secretary	Mrs. W. T. Norwood
Membership Secretary	Miss Jane Colson

Parsonage Committee — Chairperson: Mrs. Austin Reid
- Mrs. Ramelle F. Austin
- Mrs. Stanley A. Bennett
- L. Benton Farmer
- Lee B. Farmer II

Chairperson, Committee on Estate Planning	Mrs. R. S. Sims
Chairperson, Health and Welfare	Dr. Julian S. Trail
Chairperson, United Methodist Youth	
Youth Members, Council on Ministries	Don Laton
	Miss Danita Snuggs
Director of Week-Day School	Mrs. James M. (Jimmy) Colson

Committee on Records and History — Chairperson: Mrs. K. L. Young
- Miss Ruth Norwood
- R. W. Lanier
- Mrs. W. T. Norwood
- Mrs. Austin Reid

Communion Stewards — Chairperson: Mrs. Jack R. Phillips
- Miss Mary Ethel Clayton
- Mrs. Robert A. Thompson
- Mrs. Henry H. (Dan) Diggs
- Miss Mary Frances Colson

Committee on Nominations and Personnel

1975	1976	1977
Mrs. John H. Colson	James C. Talbert	Henry W. Baldwin, Sec.
Claude E. Bunn	Mrs. Herbert J. Lentz	Mrs. Luther J. Laton

CHURCH DIRECTORY (Cont'd)

Trustees

1975	1976	1977
James I. Avett, Jr.	Jack R. Phillips	Fred Byrd
Robert Lowder	Mrs. J. C. Guffy	C. Edward Koontz
Mrs. Merrill Lovelady	Graham Maner	Raymond Skidmore, Jr.

Honorary Members of the Administrative Board

J. T. Britt	J. T. Mabry	Mrs. W. H. Harris
W. C. Vick	Mrs. O. B. Mabry	C. S. Russell
Mrs. Earl Lefler	Mrs. Ira Lefler	Mrs. E. M. Harris
	Miss Fannie Lisenby	

Members-at-Large, Administrative Board

1975	1976	1977
Dr. Julian S. Trail	Merrill Lovelady	Ray Colson
Mrs. Rufus Ridenhour	Claude E. Bunn	Mrs. Jane U. Cook
Henry H. (Dan) Diggs	Roy Brown	Rodger L. Pinion
Grady Lisenby	Mrs. Woodrow Blalock	Jack Brower

Delegates to District Conference

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Mauldin
Mr. and Mrs. Needham Snuggs
Mr. and Mrs. W. K. (Bill) Mabry
Mr. and Mrs. Graham Maner

District Steward — C. Edward Koontz

Committee on Finance — Chairperson: Ralph G. Vick
Tommy Skidmore
Joe Arbo
Mrs. Herman Smith

Pastor Parish Relations Committee — Chairperson: W. Chester Lowder

1975	1976	1977
J. C. Guffy	Richard Lisenby	C. J. Clayton
Dr. L. Eugene Morton	W. Chester Lowder	L. Benton Farmer

Chairperson, Committee on Public Relations and Communications	Mrs. C. S. Russell
President, United Methodist Women	Mrs. James I. Avett, Jr.
Representative, Conference Brotherhood	Mrs. Bruce Snuggs
Church School Greeter	James E. Colson
Church School Secretary	J. L. Lee
Assistant Church School Secretary	James C. Talbert

Worship Committee — Chairperson: Mrs. R. S. Sims
Robert Carpenter
Mrs. R. L. Isenhour
Mrs. Jack R. Phillips
Henry W. Baldwin
Mrs. Ramelle F. Austin

Music Director — Mrs. Ramelle F. Austin

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - NORWOOD

1975 MEMBERS (RESIDENT & NON-RESIDENT)

Arbo, Joe
Arbo, Mrs. Joe (Barbara)
Austin, Mrs. Ramelle F.
Austin, Robert R.
Austin, Mrs. Robert R. (Marianne)
Avett, James I., Jr.
Avett, Mrs. James I., Jr. (Jo Kiker)
Avett, Miss Louise
Baldwin, Henry W. (Bo)
Ballard, Leland
Barbee, Mrs. Gurney A. (Ruby Baldwin)
Barbee, Gale
Barbee, Gurney A., Jr.
Bell, Julia
Bennett, Dora Ruth
Bennett, Stanley A.
Bennett, Mrs. Stanley A. (Evelyn)
Bennett, Sheryl
Biles, O. B.
Biles, Mrs. O. B. (Gertrude)
Blackwelder, Sam G.
Blackwelder, Mrs. Sam G. (Emma)
Blackwelder, Grier
Blalock, Mrs. Woodrow (Ethel)
Bowers, Danny
Bowers, Mrs. Danny (Andrea Lefler)
Bowers, Mrs. Lee (Nellie Mae Duke)
Bowers, Mrs. Paul (Sadie)
Bowers, Mrs. Randy (Suzanne Allen)
Brewer, Donald
Bridgman, Catherine
Britt, J. T.
Britt, Mrs. J. T. (Ila Lewis)
Brower, Jack
Brower, Mrs. Jack (Nancy)
Brown, Mrs. Grace Ballard
Brown, Mrs. Lilly Mills
Brown, Roy
Brown, Mrs. Roy (Sadie)
Bunn, Claude Earl
Bunn, Mrs. Claude Earl (Nita)
Bunn, Melissa
Bunn, Melonie
Bunn, Erin
Bunn, James L. (Jim)
Bunn, Mrs. James L. (Gail)
Bunn, Leslie
Burke, Mrs. Esther
Burleson, Mrs. Glenda Duke
Burns, Mrs. Thomas (Jenny Mabry)
Byrd, Fred
Carpenter, Robert
Carpenter, Mrs. Robert (Lena Avett)
Cauble, Mrs. Lucille Shankle
Clayton, C. J.
Clayton, Mrs. C. J. (Inez Shankle)
Clayton, Mary Ethel
Collins, James Earl
Collins, Mrs. James Earl (Katherine)
Collins, Carolyn
Colson, James E.
Colson, Mrs. James E. (Nell Gragg)
Colson, Miriam Ann
Colson, Virginia Adelaide (Ginger)
Colson, Thomas Lee (Tommy)
Colson, James M. (Jimmy)
Colson, Mrs. James M. (Cynthia M.)
Colson, John H. (Johnny)
Colson, Mrs. John H. (Mary Louise D.)
Colson, Byron Ray
Colson, Mrs. Byron Ray (Judy T.)
Colson, Robert Glenn
Colson, Mrs. Glenn (Ilene)
Colson, Margaret Jane
Colson, J. W.
Colson, John Marvin
Colson, R. Franklin
Colson, Margaret Ann
Colson, Miss Mary Frances
Colson, Charles E.
Colville, James
Cook, Mrs. Jane Upchurch
Corl, Mrs. Bertha Duke
Cormack, Mrs. Evelyn Harris
Cormack, Donald
Cranford, Alvin T.
Cranford, Mrs. Alvin T. (Neppie)
Cranford, Johnny
Cranford, Alvin Thomas (Tommy)
Diggs, Henry H. (Dan)
Diggs, Mrs. Henry H. (Rachel T.)
Diggs, Danny
Diggs, Tony
Dorton, Dave
Duke, Paul
Duke, Mrs. Paul
Duke, Larry
Duke, Lowell
Dry, Mrs. Travis (Beulah)
Eagle, John C.
Eagle, Mrs. John C. (Juanita)
Eddins, J. T.

1975 MEMBERS (Cont'd)

Eddins, Mrs. J. T. (Lee)
Eddins, Jeffrey Lee
Eddins, Johnny
Eddins, Miriam
Edwards, Leon
Edwards, Mrs. Leon (Catherine B.)
Ennis, Mrs. Molly Britt
Essary, Mrs. Rufus J. (Ruth)
Eudy, Mrs. Kenneth (Debbie L.)
Farmer, L. Benton
Farmer, Mrs. L. Benton (Marge)
Farmer, Nancy
Farmer, Lee B., II
Farmer, Mrs. Lee B, II (Wanda)
Finley, Mrs. Robert (Julia T.)
Freeman, Mrs. G. R. (Blanche)
Freeman, Mrs. Carolyn
Furlong, Walter
Furlong, Mrs. Walter (Betty)
Furlong, Patricia
Furr, Mrs. Jimmy (Kathy Phillips)
Goodman, Mrs. Levi (Sadie D. Story)
Greene, Mrs. George (Agnes)
Guffy, J. C.
Guffy, Mrs. J. C. (Evelyn)
Hager, William T.
Hager, Mrs. William T. (Murna)
Haire, Mrs. Betty Carpenter
Harkey, Carter
Harkey, Mrs. Carter (Bess)
Harris, Mrs. W. H. (Bill)
Harris, Mrs. E. M. (Neola)
Hathcock, B. Dunlap
Hathcock, James Weinstein
Hathcock, Thomas A., Jr.
Hatley, Mrs. Charlie
Heafner, George W.
Heafner, Mrs. George W. (Ruth)
Hitchner, Mrs. Sandra Lee
Holman, Mrs. Betty Jo Lisenby
Holton, Mrs. Ellen Lisenby
Hopkins, Mrs. Johnny (Mary Sue S.)
Howell, Mrs. Ray (Agnes Duke)
Hurley, Mrs. Edith Watkins
Isenhour, Robert L.
Isenhour, Mrs. Robert L. (Melba)
Isenhour, Robert L., Jr.
Ivey, Miss Edith
Ivey, G. Watt
Ivey, Mrs. G. Watt (Vesta)
Jackson, Mrs. Lee (Ann Laton)
Kayler, Mrs. Ralph E. (Claudette)
Kayler, Claude
Kayler, Roger
Kayler, Roger Allen, Jr.
Keeter, Mrs. Lilly Rose Turner
Koontz, C. Edward
Koontz, Mrs. C. Edward (Jan)
Lamb, Miss Betty Jane
Lamb, S. G.
Lanier, Bradley
Lanier, Mrs. Bradley (Lucy A.)
Lanier, Robert W.
Lanier, Mrs. Robert W. (Pearl)
Laton, Luther J.
Laton, Mrs. Luther J. (Kathryn)
Laton, Donald Wayne
Lee, T. Herbert
Lee, Mrs. T. Herbert (Mildred)
Lee, Troy H., Jr.
Lee, Jack
Lee, Mrs. Jack (Hazel)
Lee, J. L.
Lee, Mrs. J. L. (Margaret Upchurch)
Lee, Miss Johnsie
Lefler, Ben
Lefler, Mrs. Ben (Ludie Gallimore)
Lefler, Mrs. Earl (Grace Ussery)
Lefler, Mrs. Ira (Alva Hatley)
Lefler, Johnnie
Lefler, Mrs. Johnnie (Betty Maner)
Lentz, Miss Clara
Lentz, Herbert J., Sr.
Lentz, Mrs. Herbert J., Sr. (Mamie Rae)
Lentz, Mac
Lentz, Sammy
Lentz, H. J. (Joe), Jr.
Lentz, Mrs. H. J., Jr., (Sandra)
Lentz, Robert L.
Lentz, Anthony Ward (Tony)
Leonard, Mrs. Frank (Minnie Lou)
Lisenby, Miss Fannie
Lisenby, Grady M.
Lisenby, Mrs. Grady M. (Nancy)
Lisenby, Harold W.
Lisenby, Mrs. Harold W. (Mary)
Lisenby, Douglas
Lisenby, James H. (Jimmy)
Lisenby, Mrs. Jimmy (Margaret S.)
Lisenby, Richard
Lisenby, Robert
Lisenby, Terry
Lisenby, Mrs. Terry (Jane Lee)
Lisenby, Mrs. W. O.
Lisk, John A., Sr.
Lisk, Mrs. John A., Sr. (Sara)

1975 MEMBERS (Cont'd)

Lisk, John A., Jr.
Lisk, Larry
Lisk, Mrs. Rufus (Myrtle)
Lisk, Mrs. Sam (Ora Mae S.)
Lovelady, Mrs. C. C.
Lovelady, Glenn
Lovelady, Jimmy
Lovelady, Merrill
Lovelady, Mrs. Merrill(Margaret S.)
Lovelady, Miss Venice
Lowder, Carlie J.
Lowder, Mrs. Carlie J. (Rachel)
Lowder, W. Chester
Lowder, Mrs. W. Chester (Ann Burris)
Lowder, Mrs. Mary
Lowder, Tony
Lowder, Offie
Lowder, Mrs. Offie
Lowder, Mrs. J. P. (Polly)
Lowder, Robert E.
Lowder, Mrs. Robert E. (Lela Maude)
Lowder, Eloise
Lowder, Harold
Lowder, Mrs. M. V.
Lowery, John
Lowery, Mrs. John (Imogene)
Luther, Mrs. Jim (Mary Grissom)
Mabry, Baxter
Mabry, Mrs. Baxter (Jessie)
Mabry, Mrs. Brooks (Verona)
Mabry, James T.
Mabry, Mrs. O. B. (Elizabeth)
Mabry, William K. (Bill)
Mabry, Mrs. William K. (Doris)
Mabry, Lisa
Mabry, Kenda
Maner, Graham
Maner, Mrs. Graham (Lucille H.)
Maner, Danny Richard
Maner, Pines H.
Maner, Mrs. Pines H. (Evelyn A.)
Maner, W. Tom
Mauldin, Bobby J.
Mauldin, Mrs. Bobby J. (Mary Jean C.)
Mauldin, Darrell
Mauldin, Ted
McIntyre, Mrs. David (Ann Maner)
McNeely, Frank
McNeely, Mrs. Frank (Carol)
McSwain, Mrs. Jill (Betty Ann S.)
Meachum, Henry
Morton, L. Eugene
Morton, Mrs. L. Eugene (Elaine Lee)
Norwood, Mrs. W. T. (Oleta C.)
Norwood, Frances Ann
Norwood, W. T. (Tommy), Jr.
Norwood, Miss Ruth
Norwood, Uriah
Parker, Mrs. A. W. (Margaret)
Parker, Gail
Parker, Harold
Phillips, Jack R.
Phillips, Mrs. Jack R. (Ruby)
Phillips, Sheila
Pinion, Bob
Pinion, Mrs. Bob (Linda)
Pinion, Pam
Pinion, Jeff
Pinion, David Wayne
Pinion, Rodger L.
Pinion, Mrs. Rodger L. (Sarah)
Pinion, Stanley
Pinion, Mrs. Stanley (Bonnie P.)
Poplin, Mrs. Emma
Reid, Austin S.
Reid, Mrs. Austin S. (Joyce Lefler)
Reid, Jack D.
Reid, Mrs. Jack D. (Pat Colson)
Ridenhour, R. Rufus
Ridenhour, Mrs. R. Rufus (Alice T.)
Ridenhour, Donna
Ridenhour, Robert Jeffrey
Ridenhour, Roy Michael
Ridge, Mrs. Grier (Marilyn Isenhour)
Ritt, Mrs. Lemira Guffy
Russell, C. S.
Russell, Mrs. C. S. (Lula)
Russell, Wanda
Satterfield, William
Satterfield, Mrs. William (Lola)
Satterfield, Gary
Seigfried, Mrs. Ed J. (Judy Russell)
Shankle, Miss Betty
Shankle, Eli
Shankle, Mrs. Eli (Louise)
Shankle, Charles Henry
Shankle, Wallace
Shankle, Franklin
Shankle, Mrs. Franklin (Lectie)
Shankle, Georgianne
Shankle, Miss Lucy
Shipplett, James Wallace, Jr. (Bo)
Sims, Robert S.
Sims, Mrs. Robert S. (Miriam)
Skidmore, Carl
Skidmore, Jimmy

1975 MEMBERS (Cont'd)

Skidmore, Raymond
Skidmore, Mrs. Raymond (Margaret)
Skidmore, Raymond, Jr.
Skidmore, Mrs. Raymond, Jr. (Molly)
Skidmore, Jenny
Skidmore, Ellen
Skidmore, Tommy
Skidmore, Mrs. Tommy (Dianne)
Skidmore, Roy
Skidmore, Mrs. Roy (Sarah C.)
Skinner, J. B.
Smith, Mrs. Herman F. (Reba)
Smith, Jack
Smith, Jimmy
Smith, Nancy
Snuggs, Bruce
Snuggs, Mrs. Bruce (Lila)
Snuggs, Thomas Needham
Snuggs, Mrs. Thomas Needham (Lucy)
Snuggs, Danita
Snuggs, Tommy
Speight, Mrs. Lillian
Steen, Mrs. Alice Watkins
Stock, Mrs. Hilda Lowder
Stogner, Mrs. B. J. (Mattie)
Stogner, Harry
Story, Mrs. Clyde
Story, Lugenia (Jean)
Story, Mrs. J. G.
Story, Thomas
Story, W. T., Jr.
Story, Wilbur
Surratt, Raymond
Surratt, Mrs. Raymond (Elgie)
Surratt, Margaret
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